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Mar. 13, 1927	This is what makes West Asheville plume herself
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May 9, 1927	Col. Bingham is dead after useful career
May 29, 1927	Enrollment in county breaks school record
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July 8, 1927	Gallatin Roberts outlines city objectives
July 9, 1927	Endorsement of Roberts' goals for city
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July 14, 1927	Huge civic projects underway
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Aug. 3, 1927	J.W. Bartlett, Euclid Ave., endorses patent medicine
Aug. 4, 1927	Men's Club West Asheville Presbyterian Church
Aug. 7, 1927	Police describe daily routine
Aug. 18, 1927	Fire at Wooten residence, Swannanoa Ave.
	W.A. Brown, Woodrow Ave, grows huge beet
Aug. 27, 1927	Brucemont Apts. photo & article
Sept. 18, 1927	Barker's Department Store opens
Sept. 22, 1927	Mayor Roberts greets speed demon
Sept. 25, 1927	Mountains to Gulf trip to be made in canoe
Sept. 27, 1927	Will canoe down to Mexican Gulf
Oct. 2, 1927	These work for school improvement at Aycock
Oct. 9, 1927	Little Theater will assist in chest drive
Oct. 11, 1927	West Asheville chest leaders are organized
Oct. 12, 1927	Duckett urges prevention of fires in city
Oct. 23, 1927	74 Confederate Vets here
Oct. 28, 1927	West A radioist gets 28 stations
	Show Dempsey-Tunney fight in West Asheville
Nov. 1, 1927	Mrs. T.C. Warren 4th prize winner in contest

Nov. 13, 1927	Bank of West A celebrates 13th anniversary
	Young canoeists well on way to New Orleans
	Growth seen in population and buildings
	New bridge likely for West Asheville
Nov. 14, 1927	Campaign started by West Asheville Club for new bridge
Nov. 15, 1927	Speed service of trolleys to West Asheville
Nov. 17, 1927	Bledsoe Building opens
Nov. 22, 1927	Canoeists reach New Orleans
Nov. 23, 1927	West Asheville Club circulates bridge petitions
Nov. 30, 1927	West Asheville bridge needed
Jan. 7, 1928	Bingham School will be closed
Jan. 27, 1928	West Asheville growth traced
Feb. 7, 1928	23 students get splendid marks (Hall Fletcher HS)
Feb. 12, 1928	Nature Garden planned for Ryerson tract
	Asheville's mountain garden site
Feb. 15, 1928	West Asheville Theater closes
Feb. 18, 1928	West Asheville Bank grows
Feb. 19, 1928	Bledsoe Bldg. will open to public today
Mar. 18, 1928	Lindley home has strange birth
April 1, 1928	Erect modern playhouse on Haywood Rd.
April 21, 1928	Automobile accidents
May 25, 1928	Will spend $250,000 for new buildings at Bingham School
June 8, 1928	Graduating exercises, Asheville HS
July 1, 1928	West Asheville to honor mayor; huge picnic is planned for Fourth of July
July 23, 1928	Odd Fellows rank high in influence in Asheville
Sept. 1928	Mayor Roberts greets Mrs. Dull
Sept. 4, 1928	Thousands see Sparks program
Sept. 7, 1928	Bingham school will be closed
Sept. 8, 1928	Radio station to offer West Asheville artists.
Sept. 14, 1928	Large schools make new plan
Sept. 23, 1928	Houses wanted at once in Sulphur Springs
	Mayor praises cooperation of civic leaders
Sept. 24, 1928	Webb Motor will open West Asheville Branch
Sept. 30, 1928	Sheriff takes fancy liquor in Brucemont Cir. Raid
	Enka growth reflected by demand for houses
Nov. 2, 1928	Mayor Roberts to speak at West A Democratic rally
Nov. 5, 1928	Sample ballot for presidential election
Nov. 7, 1928	Mayor purchases first gridiron ticket
	Polling places in West Asheville active
	Herbert Hoover leading in Buncombe County voting
Nov. 9, 1928	Mayor Roberts issues Armistice Proclamation
	Mayor buys first cross

Nov. 11, 1928	Mrs. Dorothy Palat's music class (photo)
Nov. 16, 1928	Big hosiery mill will be located here
	Silk hosiery mill locates in Asheville
Nov. 28, 1928	Distinguished Negro to lecture here
Dec. 2, 1928	Who's Who in Asheville—Newton M. Anderson
Dec. 6, 1928	Killed in airplane crash (Phillip H. Atkinson)
Dec. 9, 1928	Coming census must be made to show size
Dec. 18, 1928	Contracts let for Asheville Hosiery Plant
Dec. 22, 1928	Hall Fletcher Jr. High
Dec. 23, 1928	Atkinsons purchase lumber firm

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Jan. 4, 1929	Calvary Baptist Church history
Jan. 20, 1929	Hall Fletcher's campus has lone tall oak tree
Feb 10, 1929	Chicken hunt on Haywood Rd.
Feb. 16, 1929	Night schools make progress
Feb. 17, 1929	Junior Music Club membership grows
	West Asheville Merchant's Association 3rd Anniversary
	Citizen Bureau established in West Asheville
	West Asheville has new home record
	Miss Wilder opens new music studio
Feb. 20, 1929	RR accident
Feb. 21, 1929	Telephone cable laid to West Asheville
	Night school at Aycock Elementary School
Feb. 27, 1929	Calvary Baptist Church formed Jan. 3, 1909
Mar. 2, 1929	Youngsters pack office in search of club badges
Mar. 3, 1929	Enka requests survey of West Asheville property
Mar. 3, 1929	West Asheville night schools
Mar. 5, 1929	Memorial service planned for A.E. Lance
	Clean-Up, Paint-Up Week May 6 - 11
Mar. 6, 1929	West Asheville opposes change in Rt. #10
	West Asheville Club seeks sidewalk
Mar. 8, 1929	671 West Asheville Boys & Girls "Are Careful"
	Police Chief is for Safety Club
Mar. 9, 1929	Asheville Silk Hosiery Mills plant to open
	Youngsters join club at West Asheville office
Mar. 10, 1929	Logan Bros. open new service station
	W.J. Shumate, West Asheville policman
	West Asheville community groups
Mar. 11, 1929	West Asheville close to 1,000 members in Just Kids safety club
Mar. 12, 1929	West Asheville seeks RR station at Boswell

Mar. 12, 1929	Juvenile stars to film safety movie
Mar. 13, 1929	Night school, Aycock Elementary School
	Merchants Assoc. supports Boswell RR station
Mar. 14, 1929	Tri-State Hardware purchases West Asheville stores
	West Asheville Club meets
	Blanchard Junior Music Club meets
Mar. 16, 1929	Just Kids movie will be made in Asheville today
Mar. 17, 1929	West Asheville expanding
	Business men join hands to further progress
	Just Kids Movie is made in Asheville
Mar. 20, 1929	Begin excavation for new post office
	10-cent bus fare remains unchanged
	Asheville Silk Hosiery Mill installs machines
Mar. 24, 1929	Construction begins on Bledsoe Building
Mar. 26, 1929	West Asheville contract post office to open in Dr. G. A. Shieder's drug store
	Concrete to be poured for West Asheville post office
	Results of West Asheville property survey
Mar. 29, 1929	Post office branch in Bilbro's Drug Store to be discontinued
Mar. 31, 1929	A & P store on Haywood Rd., photo
	Colorful parade marks climax of vote drive
April 12, 1929	Colored choirs at West Asheville Community Tabernacle, Buffalo St.
April 17, 1929	Boswell RR station depends on distance from Enka
	Vance School operetta "The Shut Up Posey" article, photo
April 21, 1929	Malvern Hills Golf Tournament
	West A organization sponsors model home exhibit
	Management of Palace Theater changes
April 23, 1929	Model home on Clinton Ave.
April 24, 1929	Walls underway on Bledsoe Bldg.
April 29, 1929	Colored mass meeting on extension tonight
April 30, 1929	West Asheville to vote again on Greater City
May 1, 1929	Mayor Roberts, happy, thanks voters for work
	Greater Asheville becomes reality—vote results
	West A firm organized (West A'ville Furniture Co.)
	Junior musicians to give WWNC program
	Vandals invade Vandalia St.
	West Asheville folks make campaign plans
	Adult school classes to meet

May 1, 1929	Station action expected soon (Boswell Station)
May 2, 1929	Enka road work makes progress
May 5, 1929	Calvary pastor to complete 11th year today
	Night School students adopt Carolina song
	Night School pupils plan annual outing
	West Asheville Club committee discusses Boswell station plan
	Civic group to meet Wednesday (WA Community Club)
	Large crowds inspect new Brownell-Dunn Funeral Home
	Talented Asheville girl (Frances Pelmet)
May 7, 1929	Mrs. Lanning to open gift exchange shop
	Funeral held for Civil War veteran
May 8, 1929	Election recollections
	West Asheville Community Club meets
May 9, 1929	Post office nearly completed
	West A Club to gather
May 11, 1929	Aycock night school graduating class
	Curb market to be considered
	Aycock Night School Class of '29 to graduate 15 pupils
May 12, 1929	Boswell-Enka distance announced
	Mother's Day services announced
	Operetta at Aycock School
	Mayor is first customer (Gallatin Roberts)
	Asheville Hosiery Mills to open soon
May 13, 1929	Locke Craig Lodge to gather (Junior Order United American Mechanics)
	West Asheville Baby Show today
	Literary group to honor author (WA Community Club)
	Merchants Assoc. plans annual program
May 15, 1929	West Asheville Methodist Church Baby show
	West A Baby Show open to local babies
	High School graduates (Enka)
	New West A Post Office to open June 30
May 16, 1929	Robeson Building nears completion
	Roberts completes tennis court work
	West a Merchants Assoc meets
	Many night school pupils are saving for trip
	Asheville Black Tourists game (ad)
May 17, 1929	Paving delayed on West A-Enka route
	Junior Music Club to go on air today
	West A curb mkt. plan slated for discussions

May 17, 1929	Judge Avery to address Locke Craig Council Junior Order American Mechanics
May 17, 1929	Gardner trial is nearing end
May 18, 1929	Review of operetta at Aycock School
May 19, 1929	McClure to talk at club meeting (West A Club)
	Universal adds to sales force
	Universal Motors adds sales force
	Entries in Baby Show increasing daily
	West Asheville contract office is discontinued (PO—Bilbro's Drug Store)
	Club musicians to hold meeting (West A Community Club)
	Hubert Ingle is killed by train
	Bledsoe Building & West a post office reinforced
	Exterior of Robeson building nearly complete
	West Asheville curb market plans studied
	West A leads in # of new home building permits
May 21, 1929	Post office to open June 30
	Hosiery Mill begins operations
	Universal Motors is model; operates excellent shop
	New PO building to open to public June 30
	Night School to hold exercises
May 22, 1929	Local physician given sentence (Dr. Gardner)
	West A floats planned
	Night School pupils write
May 23, 1929	West Asheville Library sought
	McClure to address West A Club
	Firms confer on locations here (Bledsoe Bldg)
	Directors for bureaus named
	16 Night School pupils complete work
May 24, 1929	West A Civic club to take part in festival
	Club to confer on curb market plan
May 25, 1929	West Asheville Community Club seeks public library
	Mayor opens poppy sale (Gallatin Roberts)
May 26, 1929	Aycock Night School graduates-photo
	Photos—Bledsoe Bldg., new post office, C.W. Teague apartment house
	Circle directs Baby Show
May 28, 1929	Improvements at Horney Heights and Ryerson parks
	Night school census movement launched
	West A Clubs to sponsor beauty contest
May 29, 1929	West Asheville Bureaus to open
	Rhododendron Festival contest opens in WA

May 30, 1929	Flower exhibit planned—Vance School
	Funeral is held for Civil War veteran
June 1, 1929	Health crusade event attracts tiny citizens
	West A curb market system yet pending
June 2, 1929	Local girl is highly honored (Madeline May)
	Women's Auxiliary, West A Fire Dept., meets
June 4, 1929	Blue Ridge Players lease West Asheville Theater
	Beauty contest to end June 13
June 6, 1929	Dr. H.P. Parker's son joins submarine service
	West a Community Club has final mtg of year
	Y branch group names officers
	Finals held at St. Joan of Arc
June 7, 1929	Contest votes being checked
	West Asheville Juniors to form orchestra
June 8, 1929	Contest votes are tabulated
	Inanda Baptists join in benefit lawn party
June 9, 1929	West A. boys and girls to spend vacations here
	Frog hunters get 122 frog legs on night expedition
	Winners in baby show announced
	Two fine students (Vance School)
	West A post office equipment ordered
	WNC given boost over radio (WWNC)
	Float Contest to end Thursday night
June 11, 1929	Pool room law draws protest
June 12, 1929	Blue Bird Ice Cream Company opens
	West Asheville A&P enlarged
June 13, 1929	To open 3 West Asheville bureaus
June 14, 1929	Dr. Gardner to serve sentence
	Citizen station (WWNC) to feature West A group
	West A Club to aid in pool zone fight
	Pool rooms ordered closed
June 26, 1929	West Asheville bridge & market discussed
June 27, 1929	First Y program begins tonight
	Railway group plans meeting
June 28, 1929	West Asheville mail service described
	West Asheville Bridge and market discussed
June 29, 1929	West Asheville Theater leased by Ritz Players
	Y branch group names officers
June 30, 1929	Dr. Jennie Spalding begins 15th year
	Street car schedule
	Bledsoe adds several structures to West A
July 5, 1929	West Asheville Club votes to beautify road
Aug. 1929	Creson to begin work Aug. 18
	Local boys return from long journey
Aug. 18, 1929	Creson to begin pastoral duties

Sept. 26, 1929	Murder of Everett Clark
Oct. 8, 1929	Motorized mail delivery expanded
Oct. 31, 1929	Building lines on Haywood Rd. authorized
Nov. 14, 1929	West Asheville pigeons take 1st place
	West Asheville Club chooses officers
	French Broad Church splits, group to build in West Asheville
Nov. 26, 1929	Hall Fletcher Jr, High presents "Have Faith in Asheville"
Dec. 31, 1929	Residence fire, Fayetteville St.

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State Asked To Acquire Road To West Asheville

Hendersonville - Mills River Route Advocated By Wetmur

(From The Citizen Bureau)

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., Feb. 5.—Representative P. S. Wetmur, at home for the week-end from his duties at the State capital announced today that he had secured a conference with Chairman Frank Page of the State highway commission with a view to obtaining the commission's interest in a proposal to make the road from Hendersonville to Mills River and the Buncombe county line a State highway. If this is done, the continuation of the road through Buncombe county to West Asheville would be included, Mr. Wetmur said, so that the road from Hendersonville to West Asheville through Mills River all would become a State road.

It is the belief of the Henderson representative that this road should be taken into the State system. The State highway chairman is said to have manifested considerable interest in the proposal, and Mr. Wetmur is hopeful that the commission will give serious consideration to the matter.

Asheville Citizen early 1927

West Asheville Club To Hear Power Head

Charles B. Walters, vice president and general manager of the Carolina Power and Light company, will be principal speaker tonight at the weekly meeting of the West Asheville club.

Among other items of entertainment on the program will be music by Frank Hill, Mrs. Blanche Leftain and Mrs. Beth Roberts.

Asheville Citizen January 27, 1927

WEST ASHEVILLE BUSSES TO CHANGE ROUTE ON SUNDAY

Change of routing for the West Asheville busses was announced last night by the Carolina Power and Light Company and instead of coming down Government street as at present they will leave the intersection of Coxe and Patton avenues, following a route down Southside avenue past the Depot section and on to West Asheville.

The same schedule that is in effect at present will be maintained, it was stated, but the people of the Depot section will be able to reach West Asheville much more quickly and for the uptown travel the trip will not be any longer.

This change goes into effect Sunday, it was stated, and has been worked out by careful tests to see whether or not the same schedule can be maintained as is now in effect by way of Patton and Clingman avenues.

The new schedule is as follows:

Leave Coxe avenue at 6:15 a. m., o'clock and every 15 minutes until 8:30. Then every hour until 12 o'clock. Then every 15 minutes until 7:15 p. m. Then 8 o'clock and every hour until 11 o'clock. The last car.

Sunday a. m.—6:30 to 8:30 Cox avenue to Tampa avenue; then same as week days.

Asheville Citizen January 27, 1927

METHODIST LAY CORNERSTONE OF CHURCH SUNDAY

N.C. - Asheville - Churches

Four Pastors Aid In West Asheville—Chandler Is Speaker

Asheville Citizen 1/31/27

The cornerstone of the new $155,000 West Asheville Methodist church building at the corner of Haywood road and Balm Grove avenue was laid with impressive ceremony yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock before an interested crowd including members of the congregation and other friends of the church.

Delay in the laying of the cornerstone sooner was because the building is as yet not completed and will not be finished until early spring. In the meantime the congregation which numbers 889 members is holding services in the Sunday school annex building basement, the upper parts of that structure being also under construction, but which has made somewhat more progress than the main church auditorium.

Four Methodist pastors participated in the ceremony attending the laying of the cornerstone and Rev. Dr. O. J. Chandler, assistant pastor of the Central Methodist church, was the principal speaker. He and the other preachers including Rev. G. A. Stamper of the Chestnut Street Methodist church; Rev. J. O. Coxe, pastor of the Mount Pleasant church at Beaverdam, and Rev. J. S. Hiatt, in charge of the West Asheville church, laid the stone. Scripture lesson and prayer was incorporated in the program and Rev. Dr. Chandler took as the theme of his talk the thought of the importance of modern church building not only from a structural or physical sense of its home but also from an evangelical, and spiritual standpoint. He declared that what was adequate yesterday in church building is inadequate today and closed his talk with a discussion of what the church as a community influence means to Christianity.

A history of the church prepared by F. M. Shepard, secretary, was read and placed in the cornerstone along with a large number of other articles having meaning to the progress of the West Asheville Methodist congregation. It was brought out in the history that the first church house built on the site of the present edifice was constructed in 1847 and that the handsome new one nearing completion is the fourth to have been erected on the site by the Methodists. The one just prior to the present one was torn down to make room for the new one and served the congregation for a number of years. The walls of the new one are up and the roof partially completed while workmen are busily engaged in finishing the interior woodwork.

A special musical program was rendered by the choir and during the ceremony. Other things placed inside the stone besides the church history, included a Bible, copies of The Asheville Citizen and Asheville Times, two church papers, the North Carolina Advocate and the Nashville Advocate, a list of the church members, and a list of the donors to the building fund.

Asheville Citizen January 31, 1927

Pastor Emphasizes Need Of Christian Strength

'Soldiers Of Christ' Is Subject Of West Asheville Sermon

"Soldiers of Christ," was the sermon subject [illegible] at the West Asheville Methodist church yesterday morning. Rev. Mr. Hiatt used the following text: "Finally my brethren be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the full armor of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." The pastor apoke, in part, as follows:

"The exhortation to be strong, implies preparation. Strength is needed because of that which we have to meet. Since we have to come against the wiles of the devil we need a strong armor. Paul says put on the armor of God. Not a part of it but the whole armor. If we are to put on the armor we must know what it is and how to put it on. Paul could never do a thing half way. He was an intense and intensive man. He threw his whole soul in what he did. When he sat at the feet of Gamaliel, he did just one thing; he got an education. When he grew up and became an orthodox Pharisee, he did just one thing; he made it hot for any Christians that came his way. When he was converted on the Damascus highway, he asked just one question: "What wilt Thou have me to do?" And from that time on he put on the whole armor of God, declaring that he had but one passion and that was to know Jesus.

"He says to the Christian soldier, 'Stand therefore having your loins girt about with truth.' Paul threw his illustrations in this verse from the Roman soldier, who was uniformed and standing ready for battle. The belt the soldier wore was for support, things necessary for battle could be attached to this strong piece of leather. Thus he admonishes the Christian [illegible] his loins girt about with truth. Truth gives strength and support. There can be no genuine character without it. There is no girdle that [illegible] truth? Jesus says: 'I am the way. I am the truth.' Christ is the truth about man. He showed us what man is and may be. His life is an example, a pattern. He lived as other men, 'tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.'

"He is our measuring rod. He is our standard. He is our perfection. Christ is the power of resurrected life. Christ is the spiritual life. He says: 'I am the vine, ye are the branches. Christ is the head, we are the body. Jesus lived the truth. Honesty is not only the best policy but the only policy. Honesty is greatness within itself.'

"There is no danger as long as we have faith in Jesus. When doubts arise, the danger comes. You help a man in proportion as you strengthen his faith; you injure him in proportion as you weaken it. The measure of our success is the help we give to others to succeed. An open mind is better than an open mouth. Let's wonder less and do more. Great personalities have great faith. Great faith will undertake great things. Little faith will say: 'I was afraid and went and hid my talent.' In my younger days I heard a minister preach on the second coming of Christ. He told us that the world would come to an end that year, and to get ready to meet Him in the clouds. But 20 or more years have elapsed since then and yet the King has not come. My friends, he is coming some day, but you and I need to be about his business, in season and out of season, rather than sitting idle waiting for wings.

"The man who sits and idles away his God given opportunities generally sprouts horns instead of wings. A dog's size is not always determined by his bark. Don't turn the stone for a man who has an axe to grind. He doesn't help you to see a world, not to exploit but to save.

"Paul looks again, he notices that the shoes the soldiers wore were filled with spikes, to keep them from sliding back as they scaled a wall. Then he said to the Christian, you may have a preparation for the feet, to prevent their slipping back, 'feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace.' A great man once said: 'Tell me the history of your foot and I'll tell you the history of your life.' Many spend their time in sliding into places they should not. Then Paul observed that the soldier carried a helmet to protect the head from heavy blows. The word of God is excellent protection for the head. The Christian [illegible] the word of God [illegible] God as revealed in [illegible] can ward off the arguments and fierce attacks of the enemy.

"Then Paul noticed that the soldier holds in his right hand a sharp sword. Then he advised the Christian soldier to take the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God.

"And the man who had the spirit of Christ will realize that to return good for evil, to do unto others as we would have them do unto us, to do justice and love mercy and walk humbly with our God—these are the only true patents of spiritual nobility. And only as we do them truly, without compulsion or restraint, without hope of reward or fear of punishment, they are the expression of the highest spiritual nature, and of the true and enduring and acceptable love of God."

Asheville Citizen February 7, 1927

Malvern Hills Inc., has just completed two unusually attractive houses which are now offered for sale. These homes are beautiful in design and have been constructed with great regard for solidity, strength and durability; in keeping with all other improvements in Malvern Hills. The houses have been placed on large and desirable lots and command most pleasing views.

The houses are open for inspection daily (except Sunday) from 2:30 to 5:30 P. M.

To visit Cranford House, follow School road or Wendover Road to near the Club House, and then follow Clarendon Road to Cranford Road.

The second house is on Lot 5, School Road.

MALVERN HILLS, Inc.

58 Haywood Street **Telephone 2646**

Asheville Citizen February 27, 1927

West Asheville Busses May Be Kept On 1 Route

Ordinance Regulating Lines Expected To Be Passed Tuesday

An ordinance regulating the operation of motor vehicles for hire between Asheville and West Asheville and fixing one route which all such motor vehicles must follow will be introduced at the meeting of the city commissioners Tuesday morning and probably passed as an emergency measure, it was learned yesterday.

The ordinance was found to be necessary in order to bring order out of the present chaotic conditions that exist in the city in the conducting of bus routes between Asheville and West Asheville. The regulation became necessary, it was pointed out, so as to make it convenient for patrons where they may [illegible] transportation facilities, and also to make the regulation of traffic easier than it has been during the past year.

The ordinance will require that no person, firm or corporation shall operate any motor vehicle for hire between Asheville and West Asheville without special license from the city commissioners, except that it shall not affect taxis and motor vehicles for hire on special call in said territory.

It will also make it unlawful for any operator of motor vehicle for hire, except as above noted special calls, to operate except on a specific route which has been laid down by the ordinance as follows:

Route Mapped

First, or beginning terminus, Lexington avenue and College street, terminus to College street, College street to Government street, Government street to Patton avenue, Patton avenue to Clingman avenue, Clingman avenue to East Haywood Road; East Haywood Road to West Asheville bridge, West Asheville to Haywood Road, and Haywood Road to Malvern Hills, at second terminus. The return route would be the same on reverse direction except from Patton avenue to O. Henry Place, O. Henry Place to Battery Park Place, Battery Park Place to Haywood street, Haywood street to Walnut street, Walnut street to Lexington avenue, Lexington avenue to beginning terminus.

Other provisions of the ordinance would require unloading on the right hand side of the street and regulate time of parking at terminus places, and designations that must appear upon the cars.

No car would be permitted to discontinue any trip begun, unless for unavoidable mechanical defects in the car, and then the passengers should have to be delivered to the place to which they paid fare or else have all fare refunded, and help given in getting to their destinations.

Could Revoke Licenses

The ordinance would also make it unlawful for any motor vehicle to start a trip from any other places other than the designated starting points in Asheville and West Asheville.

A fine of $50 would be fixed as the penalty together with the revocation for a period of one year of the license of the person, firm or corporation violating any section of the ordinance. This proposed ordinance would make it incumbent upon all licensed operators of bus routes between Asheville and West Asheville to use the same route. Any deviation would be made a violation of law and would subject the guilty party to a penalty and revocation of license.

Asheville Citizen February 27, 1927

Wesleyans Open Church In West Asheville Today

Asheville Citizen 3/13/27

Will Dedicate Handsome Edifice Built Through Great Faith

Today is a red letter day in the history of West Asheville Wesleyan Methodist church.

The occasion will be the formal opening and dedication of their new $20,000 church house.

Five services in all have been planed for today, the pastor, Rev. L. W. Black announces, including Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock, Sunday morning; preaching at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. A. Clement, president of the North Carolina conference Wesleyan Methodist church; a special service in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock; a young people's meeting at 6:30, and the regular evening service from 7:30 to 9:00 o'clock.

J. P. Farmer, superintendent of the Sunday school will have charge of the first service in the new church, President Clement, of Colfax, N. C., the second, and at the third service for the day, at 2:30 o'clock, Gallatin Roberts, former mayor of Asheville will make the opening address, followed by the Wesleyan Methodist conference, whose subject will be "Things We Should Know." At this service, George W. Sebren, president of the Sebren Music company, 97 Patton avenue, will sing.

The Young Peoples meeting at 6:30 o'clock will be in charge of Rev. G. K. Gentry, of Kanapolis, N. C. The speaker for the evening service has not been announced.

Taking the place of a small frame building, erected about nine years ago, the new building of brick construction, stands as a monument to the faithfulness of the pastor and his small flock in their labors. The frame house of worship was torn down last July and the new edifice begun.

The new building, it was announced, will cost approximately $20,000 and the auditorium has a seating capacity of 400. When the basement of the building is completed, the church will have eleven Sunday school rooms, that will be modernly equipped.

Coming to Asheville six years ago last December, the present pastor, the Rev. F. W. Black, found a struggling church congregation whose total membership totaled 42 persons. Under his leadership, a steady growth has been shown, the membership of the church now standing at 110.

Untiring in his efforts for the advancement of his charge Rev. Black has been on the job and as a crowning event in his years' work with the West Asheville congregation, comes the dedication of an imposing new church building that all of the members can look on with pride.

During his six years as pastor of the church, Mr. Black has been unanimously elected each year, with the exception of a single instance when one vote was cast against him. Beginning the construction work on their new church last August without a dollar in ready cash, the building has been erected through the faith and prayers of the congregation, and though it seemed a huge undertaking for a small congregation, their faith has not wavered through the months, and Rev. Black and his flock are justly proud of their achievement, which they today dedicate to the furtherance of the cause for which they stand.

W. B. Cathey, James R. Teague and F. W. Bordner, compose the board of trustees of the church, and they together with J. P. Farmer and S. J. Fortune served as the building committee for the new church.

Rev. Black, a native of South Carolina, and minister for a number of years, came to Asheville from the pastorate of a Knoxville, Tenn., Wesleyan Methodist church. He is proud of the faith and confidence his members bestow upon him, by voting to ask the State Conference to return him to West Asheville year after year.

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Dedicate New Wesleyan Methodist Church

Above is shown the handsome new West Asheville Wesleyan Methodist church, completed at a cost of $20,000 and which will be dedicated today. Below: Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Black, the pastor and his wife. It was largely due to the faithful labors of these people that the new church building was made possible.

Asheville Citizen March 13, 1927

This Is What Makes West Asheville Plume Herself

N.C. Asheville – Schools (Hall Fletcher High Sch.)
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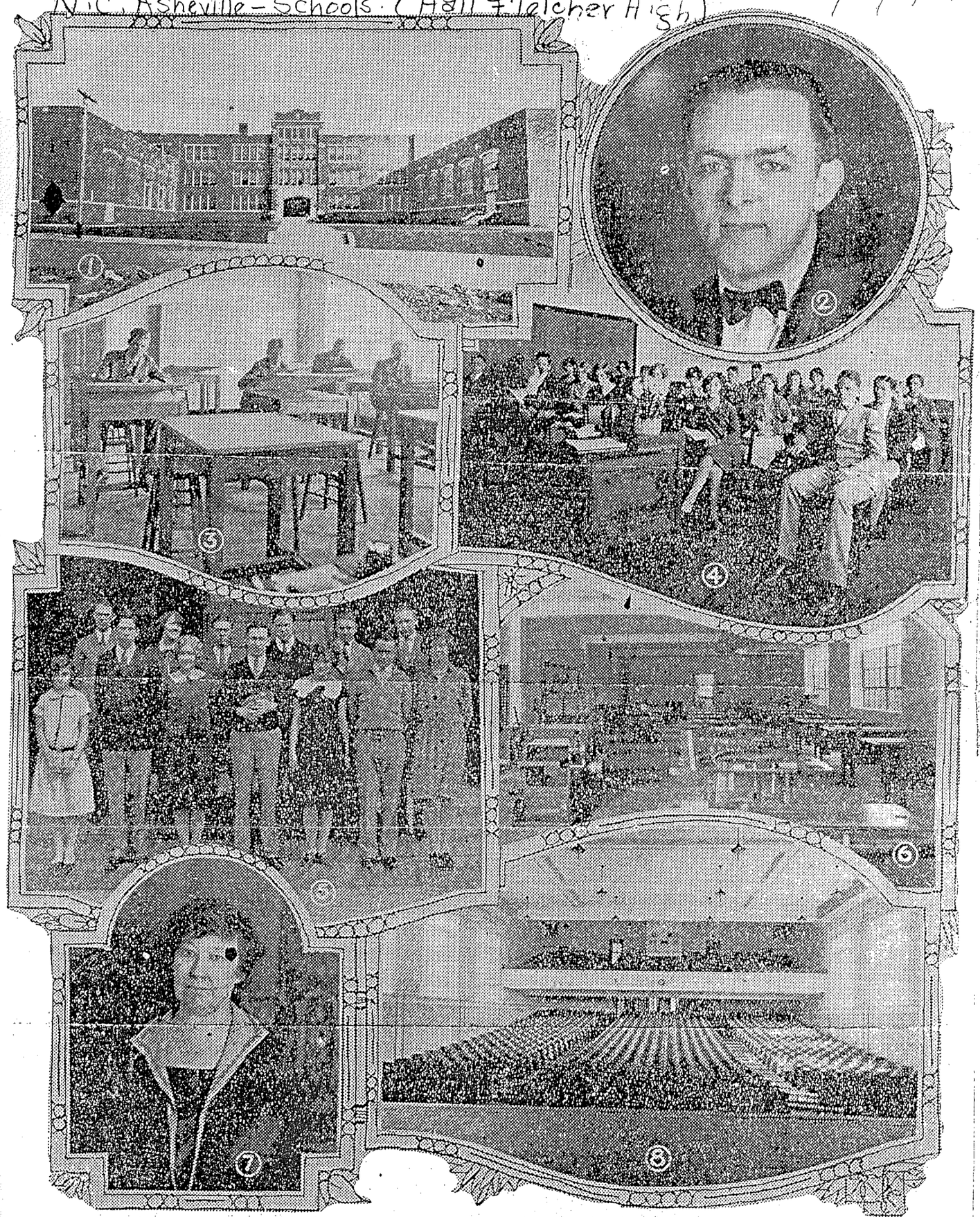


1—Hall Fletcher High School, located in West Asheville. It is the newest High School in the State, completed last fall at a cost of $260,000.
2—George Hartrick, principal of Hall Fletcher.
3—The Mechanical Drawing department of Hall Fletcher.
4—An English class in session at Hall Fletcher.
5—The Student Council. Ed Roberts, center, front row, is president of the Student Government Association.
6—The Workshop.
7—Miss Rena Nichols, dean of girls at Hall Fletcher.
8—The auditorium, one of the finest in the South.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., MONDAY MORNING, MAY 9, 1927

COL. BINGHAM IS DEAD AFTER USEFUL CAREER

Educator Succumbs To Long Illness At Advanced Age

WAS HEADMASTER MILITARY SCHOOL

Will Hold Funeral Of Beloved Citizen This Afternoon

Col Robert Bingham is dead.

Weakened by a long illness, he had been in a critical condition for several days and members of his family were at his bedside when he died yesterday afternoon at 4:10 o'clock. The end came peacefully and almost imperceptibly as he dropped off to sleep.

Two daughters, Mrs. S. Reid McKee and Mrs. Robert Temple Grinnan, of Asheville and one son, Judge Robert W. Bingham, of Louisville, Ky., were at his bedside as were five grandchildren, Robert W. Bingham, Jr., Barry Bingham, Bingham McKee, Miss Martha McKee and Miss Sadie Temple McKee. One granddaughter, Miss Henrietta Bingham is in London.

Headed School

For many years headmaster of Bingham Military school, both in Asheville and at Mebane, N. C., Colonel Bingham was one of the foremost educators of the South, a man who championed the cause of learning in the days following the Civil War and did much to bring about the educational awakening below the Mason Dixon line.

Throughout the United States and in many foreign countries alumni of the school who came in contact with Colonel Bingham during his long years of active service in educating for citizenship, remember him affectionately as "Old Bob," a pet name that clung to him as generation after generation of boys came to know him and to love him.

Colonel Bingham was a distinguished soldier, serving with the rank of captain throughout the Civil War, and in later years he won recognition as an able writer and a fearless speaker in behalf of the causes to which he dedicated his life. His greatest achievements were in the field of education, and besides devoting most of his time to the task of educating the young men of his beloved South, Colonel Bingham was a leader in the educational movement in the state, a pioneer on the question of industrial training, a factor in the establishment of the State Woman's College at Greensboro and the father of the first compulsory school law in the South.

The funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church where Colonel Bingham was for a great many years an elder, by the pastor Rev. Dr. R. F. Campbell. Interment will be in Riverside cemetery.

Confederate veterans of the county will gather at the church and march in a body, followed by the Bingham cadets and then by the casket and members of the family and friends. Only members of the family will go to the cemetery for the interment.

The following will serve as active pallbearers: Dr. W. P. Herbert, W. L. Brooker, Charles E. Waddell, Graham MacFarlane, Ruffner Campbell, Theodore Marrison, Thomas S. Rollins, R. R. Williams, and William Coleman.

Honorary pallbearers will be: Louis M. Bourne, Judge Frank Carter, James S. Coleman, Capt. J. M. Coleman, Gen. Theodore Davidson, Capt. R. V. Edwards, Capt. J. H. Ford, Capt. O. O. Hartsig, Capt. W. C. Haynes, Major L. R. Hoffman, Capt. H. C. Lawson, A. J. Lyman, Dr. M. C. Millender, Dr. C. R. Minor, Judge J. D. Murphy, J. H. McConnell, Haywood Parker, J. E. Rankin, Dr. C. V. Reynolds, Major H. R. Smith, Capt. H. C. Stout, Cameron Waddell, Charles A. Webb, J. M. Westall, Dr. Jere Cocke, William B. Williamson, and Dr. F. Webb Griffith.

Colonel Bingham was the third generation of Binghams to head the famous school. The school was founded by his grandfather at Mebane, N. C., in 1793.

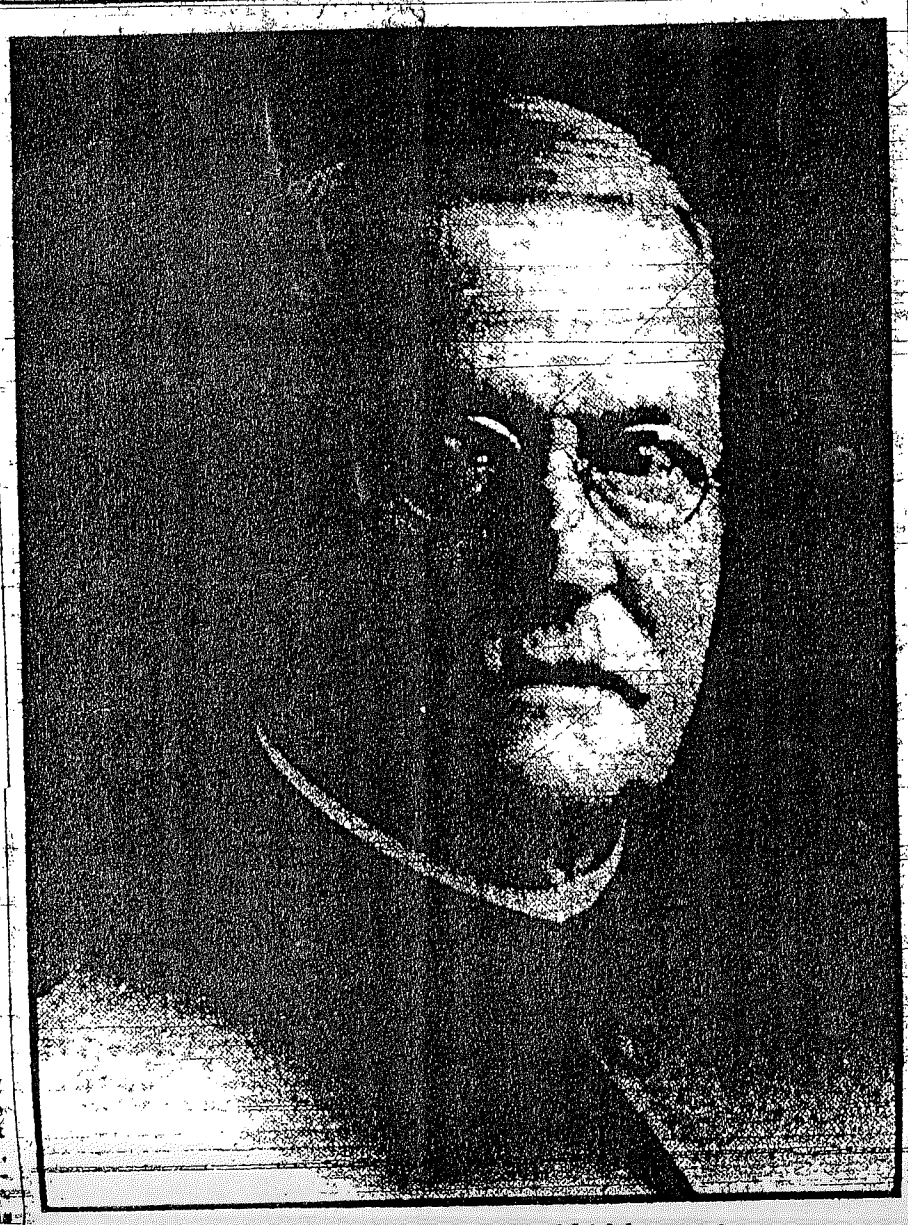
He was born in Hillsboro, Orange County, N. C., September 5, 1838. He was the son of William James Bingham and Eliza A. Norwood Bingham. His forebears were English and Scotch. His paternal grandfather, Rev. William Bingham was born in County Down, Ireland, and came to America after graduating from the University of Glasgow.

Colonel Bingham was prepared for school by his father. He was one of the four first honor men in the class of 1857 at the University of North Carolina. He immediately joined his father and brother in the management of the school. He was then 19 years old.

During the four years of the war between the states he was active in the conflict. After the war he returned to school work and a military department was co-ordinated with the school's activities. In 1882 the government began detailing officers from the United States Army as commandants of the school's cadet corps.

The school was subesquently removed from Mebane to Asheville and known as Bingham School of Asheville

Pioneer Educator Dies



COLONEL R. BINGHAM

Friend Of Education

Colonel Bingham was for years a staunchest friend of the cause of public education that North Carolina had. He was regarded as the father of compulsory education in the South, and it was through his effective influence that Asheville became the first city in the South to adopt it.

Though headmaster of a private school Colonel Bingham championed the cause of education for the masses of both sexes and colors. During the period of reconstruction following the war between the states he stood out almost alone against the prevailing attitude of laissez faire in regard to education.

When the state began to recover from the impact of the war and to realize that education was a paramount necessity the people awoke to the fact that the constitution of 1867 limited taxation to such a degree that the public schools could be kept open only three months a year. In order to overcome this frightful condition the legislature authorized a local option tax for public schools. By this means each community could raise funds according to its ability.

The opposition to this tax was keen and bitter. But in the face of it Colonel Bingham took the stump and spoke up and down the state. His friends tried to dissuade him, but he felt that he was right. School leaders today who look back upon the progress of education made in North Carolina credit his zeal and fearlessness with laying the seeds which subsequently germinated into a great school system.

Supports Blair Bill

His speech "The New South" delivered first before the superintendents' department of the National Educational Association in Washington in 1884 in support of the Blair bill, then pending before congress, and later before the association meeting itself in Madison, Wisconsin, is still remembered as one of the most eloquent pleas for education ever made in this country.

Another educational advance fathered by Colonel Bingham in the state was industrial training. Up to 1886 there was no such a thing as industrial training in the state. Colonel Bingham took the question up with the Grand Master of Masons and ex-officio head of the Masonic Orphanage of Oxford. He urged that industrial training be introduced into the orphanage. The next legislature appropriated funds in accordance with his suggestion, but not without considerable opposition.

A few years later a move was set on foot in Raleigh for the creation of a state "College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts." This move was largely the outgrowth of the activities of Colonel Bingham in behalf of industrial training.

Normal School Training for Women was another progressive step in education that had its beginning in the activities of Colonel Bingham. In 1886 Colonel Bingham addressed a teacher's meeting at Black Mountain and moved that they call upon the state legislature to create a normal school for women. The next legislature appointed Charles D. McIver and Edward A. Alderman to go about the state carrying on educational work of this character. In two years time they had created such sentiment that a reluctant legislature was forced to make an appropriation for a State Normal and Industrial College for Women. After President McIver had organized the school he invited Colonel Bingham to address the 600 girls and tell them of the germ of the idea for the school in his proposal at Black Mountain in 1886.

Compulsory Education

But the greatest battle that Colonel Bingham ever commenced for the cause of education in this state was the fight for compulsory education. He knew, as all intelligent men knew, that illiteracy was one of the crying causes that held the South in her state of economic want and destitution after the war. He knew that there was only one way to attack ignorance and that was by taking the control of children out of the hands of ignorant parents and placing it in the hands of the state. But, public sentiment was against him. He had done valiant service in helping to force into existence local option taxation for city schools and later for county school, taxation for the State Industrial School of Men, and for the State Industrial School for Women, but the fight for compulsory education was more difficult.

The cry against it was that it not only increased taxation but it also interfered, many claimed, with the inherent right of parents to control their children. Religious prejudices were stirred against it and the scriptures quoted to prove the point of the opponents. However, the plain people of Asheville gave the Colonel strong backing and a local option compulsory educational law was forced through the legislature. No provision, however, was made for school buildings and teachers. With the help of the labor element in Asheville, with whom Colonel Bingham was popular, compulsory education was passed in Asheville and $30,000 appropriated to meet the expenses. Thus Asheville became the first city in the South to adopt compulsory education.

One of the most important things Colonel Bingham did for the South was the publication of the facts concerning the relationship of Robert E. Lee and Jefferson Davis to secession. In a notable article, called "Some Sectional Misunderstandings" published in [illegible] September 1904, Colonel Bingham published for the first time [illegible] proof that these two great Southern leaders had been taught from "Rawle's View of the Constitution," which was the [illegible] that it should be [illegible] against would break [illegible]

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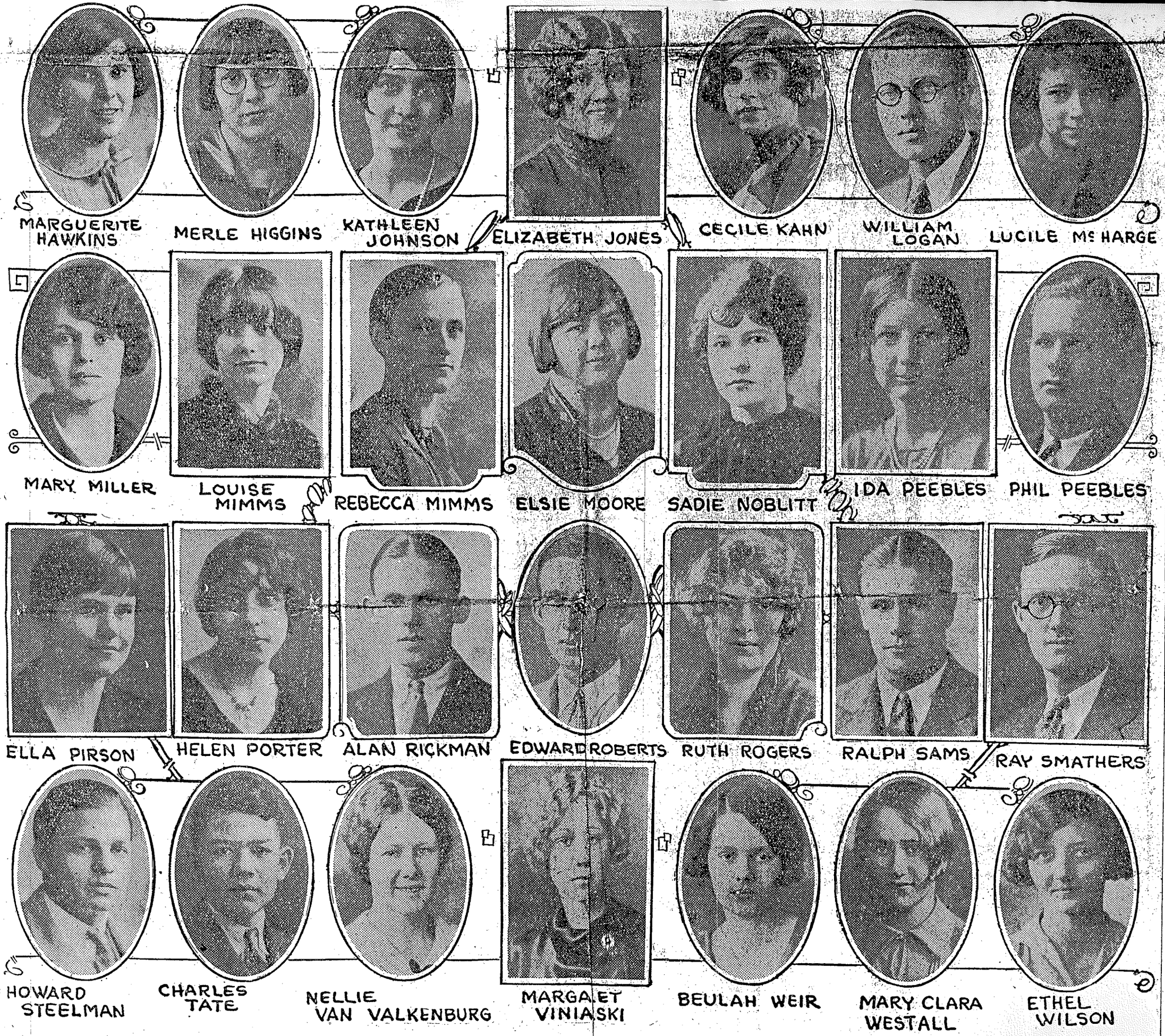
Hall Fletcher High School Graduating Class of 1927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ENROLLMENT IN COUNTY BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD

Total Registration in the 62 Buncombe Totals More Than 12,000.

Enrollment in the 62 schools of the county, growing steadily each year, will amount to more than twelve thousand in the school year just completed, according to figures made public Saturday by A. C. Reynolds, superintendent of county education. Figures for the enrollment of the schools in the city were not available Saturday because final reports had not been turned in. Below is a tabulated account of the average daily attendance and the total enrollment in each of the county schools.

In a few cases, final reports had not been received by the superintendent. In place of the final report the totals for the month before have been used. No negro schools in the county have been listed.

The totals show an average daily attendance in the last year just completed of 9,010, and a total enrollment of 11,419. To those figures more than 700 must be added, for the negro schools are not listed. The total figures at the end of the school year in 1926 were: Average daily attendance, 9,001, and total enrollment, 11,399.

School	Av. Daily Attndce.	Total Enroll.
Barnardsville	289	381
Johnston	150	213
Montreat	22	35
Oakley	324	449
Emma	301	385
West Buncombe	395	517
Weaverville	334	411
Valley Springs	421	558
Venable	162	241
Turkey Creek	53	74
Union	31	49
Teague	14	27
Stone Mt.	15	20
Stoney Fork	101	128
Sand Hill	274	345
South Fork	40	56
Snow Hill	48	68
Roberson	41	59
Rose Hill	64	90
Pleasant Grove	49	74
Paint Fork	17	27
Piney Grove	86	110
Oak Hill	60	78
North Fork (B. Mt.)	23	37
North Fork (Ivy)	49	71
New Found	36	53
Nesbitt	39	44
Monticello	40	67
Leicester High	371	468
Liberty	33	39
Liberty Hill	41	75
Laurel Hill	44	63
Jupiter	62	90
Hemphill	50	64
Hall	20	29
Hill Crest	97	114
Garrett	31	45
Glady	67	110
Glenn Mt.	16	17
Fairview	340	429
French Broad	159	210
Ebenezer	15	19
Dillingham	94	106
Democrat	38	56
Dome	17	27
Candler	398	467
Choctaw	36	50
Chestnut Grove	49	72
Cedar Grove	11	17
Brittains Cove	25	44
Black Knob	37	47
Beech	61	90
Brick Church	25	34
Alexander Chapel	38	59
Anderson's	13	18
Biltmore	533	632
Black Mountain	508	548
Flat Creek	342	404
Grace	419	503
Haw Creek	261	292
Swannanoa	620	716
Woodfin	627	778
Bald Mt.	18	21
Totals	8,711	11,419

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Asheville Citizen Times
June 5, 1927

For 100 Years Popular and Noted Resort

Developers Have Aimed To Make It Ideal Home Community
Best Architects Employed There

Popular with Visitors Who Enjoy Its Magnificent Scenery

This is the third of a series of authoritative articles The Sunday Citizen is publishing about the major subdivisions or suburbs of Asheville. Pictorially and by script The Citizen is telling the story of these attractive residential parks, which are doing so much to make Asheville the city of beautiful home.

Malvern Hills is the only suburban residential district near Asheville which has a truly historic background. Known as Sulphur Springs it was a favorite summer resort for the aristocratic Charleston families nearly one hundred years ago.

Traveling up from the lowlands in their carriages, they came summer after summer to enjoy the coolness and beauty of the mountains. They had great faith in the beneficial properties of the famous Sulphur Springs--which is now inclosed and sheltered by the Malvern Hills Club House.

A handsome bronze tablet has recently been placed on the wall of the Club House by the entrance to the Spring. It reads:

This Tablet
Was erected by
FANNIE V. ARTHUR
in memory of
her Grandfather
who with
his slave Sam
discovered the
SULPHUR SPRINGS
in February, 1827"

Robert Henry's son-in-law, Col Reuben Deaver, built a wooden hotel on the hill above the spring in the year 1830 and began taking boarders. So popular was the hotel that an addition to the building had to be made every season, as many as 500 guests it is claimed, being accommodated at one time.

It is a far cry back to those days when Sulphur Springs was a noted and gay resort while Asheville was but a little village--a place to pass through en route to the hotel on the hill overlooking the spring.

It would be tempting to give one's imagination free rein and to picture to oneself the beautiful girls of those days surrounded by their devoted admirers, the driving parties, horse-back rides, the dancing in the evenings to the music of a popular Negro band which came up each season from Charleston.

Happy, Happy Days

Happy, happy days of long ago! Gone are all those groups of gay light-hearted young people; gone many, many years ago the old hotel, but the mountains, the "everlasting hills" superb in their majesty and beauty remain as they were, and the Spring gives off its healing waters as freely and generously as it did in those days of old.

Twenty-seven years ago Newton M. Anderson and Charles A. Mitchell, prominent educators of Cleveland, Ohio, came to Western North Carolina seeking an ideal site to establish a private preparatory school for Boys. They desired to find for the school a climate which would give to the boys the opportunity for healthful outdoor exercise every month of the years and a large tract of land giving them ample space for all their out-door sports. Last, but not least they desired beautiful surroundings for their school.

In their search for their ideal conditions Mr. Anderson and Mr. Mitchell investigated and carefully studied all possible locations east of the Mississippi river and extending from Maine to Florida. When they reached North Carolina they felt they had found the most perfect climate, if they could only find a suitable tract of land their search would be ended. They made several unsuccessful trips to Asheville and were very much discouraged as they had been unable to find a sufficiently large tract of land in a desirable location.

Mr. Anderson's Purchase

Unwilling to give up, Mr. Anderson made another visit to Asheville in January 1900 and was taken out by H. Plummer to see the property owned by the Asheville Power and Light company which adjoined the old Sulphur Springs site. He found this property more than met his requirement and bought the 500 acres which comprised the Asheville School Estate up to June 1927, when the school buildings and campus of 300 acres were sold to Walter P. Fraser.

When the school was opened in 1900, everything that the boys could need or wish for was offered, with the exception of a body of water for boating and swimming. This lack was soon supplied. In 1906 a lake was made by building across the Ragsdale Creek, a concrete dam 60 feet in height and 110 feet long.

The lane thus formed 21 years ago was the first artificial lake to be made --------(unreadable). As the years have passed the verdure has increased in natural loveliness until at the present time the branches of large trees spread over the edge of the water, making a shore line unsurpassed in beauty. This lake, well stocked with fish, with numerous small shady bays, a rowing course of nearly a mile in length and a magnificent view of the mountains in the background is free to all residents of Malvern Hills.

Some years ago Mr. Anderson acquired the Sulphur Springs site together with some other land adjoining the original Asheville School Estate and two years ago developed 100 acres of this beautiful piece of land into a residential suburb. His purpose was to build a residential section which would be ideal

in every respect. No expense was spared in making the improvement; every consideration was given to assure the comfort and convenience of the property owners.

Lake and Golf Course

Mr. Anderson wished to set a standard which would, he believed, attract the high class of residents he hoped would form a community there—a community of quiet home-loving people who would establish an atmosphere of culture and refinement.

To the attractions of Lake Ashnoca is added that of the Malvern Hills private golf course which was laid out an completed under the supervision of Carl R. Frye of Columbus, Ohio. The golf course has received the very highest praise from all who have played on it and that it is a most enjoyable course has been proved by the large number of enthusiasts who have been using it all summer.

Malvern Hills has set a high standard in architecture as well as in every other line of development. The residence of Alexander MacLean, the house at the intersection of Cranford and Clarendon Road known as "Cranford House" and the house of English type on School Road were all designed by Miller and Reeves, architects of New York and Columbus, Ohio. These houses are greatly superior in architecture and construction to the type of house one ordinarily finds for sale in subdivisions.

One of the greatest assets Malvern Hills has and one which is constantly spoken of and admired by visitors, is the unusual number of large and beautiful trees. It takes many years to produce such groups of oaks as one finds in this development.

The owners are justly proud that nearly every homesite in Malvern Hills commands a fine view of the mountains. That people in Asheville and strangers who visit the city full appreciate the charm and beauty of Malvern Hills is evidenced by the number who may be seen every day driving around the hills. They frequently leave their cars and walk to the highest point of the property to admire the magnificent panorama of nearby and distant mountains.

In Malvern Hills nature has been assisted, but never in any instance hampered, and that nature was lavishly generous here, who could deny?

Mayor Roberts Says Tax Rate Will Be Increased

Names Three Major Objectives Of Present City Administration

The city tax rate will be raised Mayor Gallatin Roberts assured the Asheville Rotary club at their weekly meeting at the Battery Park hotel.

He gave this assurance in the course of an address outlining his policies for the coming four years of his administration.

Just what the exact rate will be the Mayor said he does not now know because the county has not yet arrived at the property valuation.

In outlining his program, the Mayor named three major projects for which he and his associates are pledged to work. He named them, in the order of their importance as follows:

1. Extension of the city limits.
2. Expansion of the city water system and the development of the Pink Bed water system in the Pisgah National Forest.
3. Construction of a high bridge across the French Broad river connecting the two sections of the city and leading Westward toward the Great Smoky Mountain National Park.

In discusing the first of these proposals, the Mayor said he purposes to push city extension as rapidly as possible. Asheville now has an area, he pointed out of only 11.56 spuare miles while other cities like Greensboro, Charlotte and Winston-Salem have areas of more than 25 square miles. The cramped limits of the city of Asheville do not properly measure its extent, the Mayor pointed out and steps will be taken to bring in not only the territory lying just North of the city, but East and South, including especially Biltmore and Kenilworth.

In speaking of the water situation, the Mayor said that he feels keenly that the surrounding areas that are clamboring for city water must take the logical step by coming into the city and helping to bear the burden of the expense of expanding the water system to supply that demand. Those people on the outside, he said, deserve water, and the administration wants to see them have it, but in order to assure it to them constantly and unbrokenly it will be necessary to develop the Pink Beds. To do this will add to the financial burden of the city, and the administration feels, the Mayor declared, that those who will profit ought to help to bear the burden.

"The people think," Mayor Roberts pointed out, "that the water system of the city is a paying proposition and brings in a handsome revenue. As a matter of fact, we suffer a loss in operation and caring for the bonds annually of $65,000."

"Why is this so? When you hear a lot of people growling about their water bills just tell them that Asheville has the cheapest water rental in the United States. Mr. Rogers and I have written all over the country and we have only found one other city in America with a water rate as low as ours is. Most of the cities of North Carolina charge $1.00; we charge 50 cents. So we are planning to raise the water rate; just how much we have not decided, but substantially."

In conclusion of his address the Mayor pledged honesty in his administration and assured the Rotarians that his administration "will always attempt to do the right thing."

Asheville Citizen July 8, 1927

JAMES COZBY BYRD, Consulting Architect — HENRY IRVEN GAINES, Associate

Mayor Roberts, We're Ready To Become a Part of Greater Asheville

Griffing's Kimberly Heights, Inc. Heartily Endorses the Mayor's Plan

E ARE greatly pleased that we can so heartily endorse Mayor Roberts' city extension plans as set forth Thursday in his talk before the Rotary Club. At all times, in our printed and spoken word, we have pointed out that by virtue of its location, Kimberly Heights was a part of the city, and should be included in the city limits, just as outlined in Mayor Roberts' plan.

True, Kimberly Heights will always have features that set it apart from the rest of the city—features that distinguish it as of the country and not of the city—yet in spite of its country seclusion and quiet, its woodland beauty, Kimberly Heights truly belongs to the city, and should be counted within its boundaries. Mayor Roberts, count on our support in your city extension plan!

Kimberly Heights

Adjoining GROVE PARK

Griffing's Kimberly Heights, Incorporated, Owners

Offices at 31 Patton Avenue

Wesley Clark, Directing Sales — Telephones 3111-6074

Asheville Citizen July 9, 1927

GRANT MAY LIVE; WAS SHOT WHILE BEATING HIS WIFE

West Asheville Woman Wounded Uncle To Protect Aunt

Though regarded as critical, the condition of L. F. Grant, 107 New street, remained unchanged at the Mission hospital last night and unless complications arise it was quite likely that he would live through the night.

Grant was shot in the back yesterday morning by his niece, Mrs. N. C. Holcombe, at her residence on Belmont street in West Asheville when he, in a drunken orgy, was beating his wife, a sister of Mrs. Holcombe's mother. Mrs. Holcombe was placed under arrest by the police and held for a few hours without bail but late yesterday afternoon was released when she gave bond in the sum of $1,000.

Both Mrs. Grant and Mrs. Holcombe told their stories at police headquarters yesterday morning, following the arrest of the latter. They declared that Grant had come to the Holcombe residence "dead drunk" in search of his wife and at once began to beat her, knocking her to the floor. Mrs. Holcombe said she believed he was going to kill her aunt, and she took a 38-calibre revolver, firing at him one time. The bullet entered his back and pierced his lungs. She had tried to telephone the police before shooting, she said.

Wife Badly Bruised

Examination by Dr. Dan E. Setzer, city health officer, showed that Mrs. Grant was suffering from severe bruises. Her left arm was almost broken and her neck bore signs of choking, while her teeth in front had received a hard punch.

According to the stories told by the two women, the trouble began Monday night when Mrs. Holcombe received a telephone call from her aunt to meet her at an ice station in West Asheville. There she found Mrs. Grant hiding, and asking to be taken to the home of her niece. She said her husband had been drunk all evening and had been jabbing at her with a butcher knife at her restaurant on Haywood road. Mrs. Holcombe said she took her aunt home and noth-

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ing was heard from her husband until Tuesday morning.

Calling at the Holcombe home early yesterday morning, Grant told his niece to tell Mrs. Grant to come on home and that he was going to kill her, according to the story told the police. Police headquarters were notified, and two plainclothesmen went to West Asheville but, because Mrs. Grant was unwilling to swear out a warrant returned.

Fearing that Grant might arrive any minute, Mrs. Holcombe said she locked all the doors and went to the back of the house to receive some groceries that were being delivered.

Says He Made Threats

While she was in the kitchen, Grant arrived and Mrs. Grant let him in, because she thought he had "sobered up," she told the police. Mrs. Holcombe declared that as soon as he was well in the room he "jumped on" her aunt at once and began to beat her.

Mrs. Holcombe declared that she tried to call the police again, but her aunt kept screaming that Grant was killing her, so the niece picked up the revolver and shot him in the back. Mrs. Grant told the police that she and her husband had been having trouble for about two years, another woman having become involved in their family life.

Neighbors of the Grants said that Grant had threatened to kill his wife several times since returning to Asheville from Cincinnati about two weeks ago. Mrs. T. E. Galloway, wife of Fireman Galloway, who lives with the Grants, said yesterday that she had been forced to call her husband to come home Monday night and take her and her little daughter away, on account of the conduct of Grant, when he came home to find his wife not there.

Grant is about 41 years old and Mrs. Grant and her niece appear to be about 30. N. C. Holcombe, husband of the woman who did the shooting, is an employe of the Carolina Wood Products Company. They have three children.

Four Huge Projects Costing $1,592,000

Asheville Times July 14, 1927

Making New Section

Four mammoth public improvements which will virtually transform the southern end of Asheville are moving forward every day, but are hidden so effectively that only a small proportion of the residents of this community are aware of them. Two of them, located in what eighty years ago was a wilderness may not be seen unless one goes out of one's way to view them. The other two, nearby, have not yet reached a stage to attract the eye of the passerby.

But when they have been completed these projects will be seen as much as any in Asheville. One of the heaviest streams of traffic in the city will pass them daily.

Huge Projects Listed

Here are projects and their costs:

Pavement of McDowell street, approximately one and one-fifth miles, and building of an underpass beneath Victoria road, $400,000.

Viaduct from the south end of McDowell street across the Southern railway tracks and the Swannanoa river into Biltmore, $217,000.

New freight station of the Southern railway, $225,000.

New senior high school, $750,000.

Total, $1,592,000.

In no area of similar size in western North Carolina, perhaps, is such gigantic construction in progress. The four projects are situated in a narrow strip of territory extending from the beginning of McDowell street at Southside avenue to the intersection of All Souls crescent and Lodge street, Biltmore.

You'll get the surprise of your life and spend an hour profitably if you'll hop into your automobile and take a look at these projects.

See Vast Improvements

Here's what you'll see:

After driving to Biltmore turn into Lodge street and drive about two blocks westward. Here, at the intersection with All Souls crescent, will be the south end of the viaduct. For three weeks some twenty workmen have been digging great holes and pouring concrete for four giant piers which will support the structure which is expected to solve the problem of the Biltmore railway crossing.

This week the number of workmen has been increased to some seventy-five and work soon si to be started on additional piers north of the Swannanoa river. Other workmen will start within a few days on the task of moving the automobile unloading shed of the Southern Railway five and half feet to one side to make room for one of the piers.

An unthinking passerby might notice some piles of fresh earth and a tiny shack housing the office of W. B. Ferguson, an engineer of the state highway commission. Since all of the concrete work so far has been below the level of the ground, the passerby probably would not suppose what he saw was the beginning of such a project as it is.

City-County Enterprise

The viaduct is a joint undertaking of Asheville and Buncombe county, each bearing one-half of the expense. The great bridge will lack five-eighths of an inch of being 1,300 feet long—a little less than a quarter of a mile. It is being erected by Beeler and company, whose contract demands completion of the work in 280 working days—days on which it is possible to pour concrete. There are an average of twenty days a month in which it is possible to pour concrete according to builders. Since the project has been under way a little more than twenty working days, a little computation will show that it probably will be completed about August, 1928.

The engineering work of the viaduct is a contribution of the state highway commission to the project. The preliminary plans kept William L. Craven, chief bridge engineer of the commission, and some twenty-five assistants busy in their offices in Raleigh for six weeks. W. B. Ferguson has been assigned as resident engineer to supervise the construction.

Plan To Pave Meadow Road

The county commissioners contemplate ultimately paving Meadow road—which is outside the limits of both Asheville and Biltmore—in order to form a link between McDowell street and Biltmore avenue, according to W. E. Johnson, commissioner of highways.

While the pavement on All Souls crescent, which will lead from viaduct to the Hendersonville highway, is only twenty-five feet wide and that on Lodge street, leading from the viaduct toward Biltmore plaza, is only thirty feet wide, both of these streets are seventy feet wide, from property line to property line. Perhaps if the program for the extension of the city limits is carried out, the city will widen those two streets to provide adequate space for the heavy traffic that is certain to traverse them. The village of Biltmore has no intention of undertaking the widening, Mayor J. P. Kitchin announced.

After you have looked over the beginnings of the viaduct drive up Biltmore avenue, turn into St. Dunstan's road and follow it about a quarter mile to the brow of a hill overlooking McDowell street.

Depot Site Cleared

Looking toward the tracks of the Southern railway, you will see that the site of the new freight station has been cleared away for the beginning of construction of the freight depot. Near the tracks approximately a trainload of lumber already has been unloaded. Further progress on this $225,000 undertaking awaits the acquisition of additional nearby lands by the railway, George Sitton, of Charlotte, chief engineer of the Southern in this territory, announced the other day.

Alight from your automobile and walk across a strip of forest, a distance of about 200 feet to McDowell street. A stretch of pavement, forty feet wide, extends as far as one can see from this point. Southward it reaches almost to the north end of the viaduct site. Within a few weeks that end, including a prong leading around the brow of a hill to the viaduct and another going down to the freight station site, is expected to be completed.

Northward from the point at which you are standing the pavement extends to the underpass at Victoria road, in the campus of Asheville Normal and Associated schools. Pouring of concrete to the underpass entrance was completed Saturday. Grading of that section of McDowell street lying between Victoria road and Southside avenue has been virtually completed. Pouring of concrete from Southside avenue southward is expected to be started within a few days.

$750,000 School Under Way

From your point on McDowell street near St. Dunstan's road you may walk about 150 yards up a hill to the west and see the beginning of the $750,000 senior high school. Much of the excavation has been completed, and pouring of concrete for the foundation has been started. Earth from the excavation has been hauled into a hollow to the southwest where the school's athletic field will be built. The school is scheduled for completion by September, 1928.

Now turn to your automobile. Drive back to Biltmore avenue and northward to Victoria road. Turn west on Victoria road a distance of two or three blocks and you come to the underpass, a huge project in itself. The street builders have dug a cut through a huge hill in the normal school campus and have almost completed there a concrete tunnel, 230 feet long. The pavement through the tunnel has not yet been laid. Earth is to be replaced over the tunnel and the torn-up strip of Victoria road rebuilt. The tunnel is sufficiently large that natural light will suffice except on dark days.

Drive back to Biltmore avenue, northward to Coxe street, westward to Southside avenue and southwestward to the north end of McDowell street. You have noticed something going on here, but you haven't thought what it was. Now you are aware that the grading of this end of McDowell street has been virtually completed, that curbstones are being placed, and that within a few days pouring of concrete will start.

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MEN'S CLUB HOLD MEETING WITH MR. AND MRS. GRESHAM

The Men's Club of the Presbyterian church held their regular monthly meeting Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. N. rGesham on Sand Hill road. Twenty-one members answering the roll call.

A very interesting program was given as follows:

Five minute talks by W. B. Francisco on "Our Postal Service;" C. C. Demaree on "Our City Health Department," and G. A. Deland on "Opportunity For Christian Service." reading, Miss Tallulah Walker; vocal solos, "Rose in the Bud," "Four Leaf Clover," Miss Emma Walker; "I Know a Lovely Garden," "Thy Beaming Eyes" and "A Little Bit O'Honey," Mrs. R. W. Farr. Duet, "Whispering Hope," Miss Emma Walker and Mrs. P. N. Gresham, accompanists, Mrs. W. C. Rosser and Mrs. R. W. Farr.

At the conclusion of the program delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs Rosser and Mrs. Farr.

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 7, 1927

Help! Help! Po-l-i-ce! Is Great American Cry Say Old Time Officers

Police Are Called To Catch Burglars, Kill Sick Cats, Find Sweethearts, Muzzle Parriots, Collect Bills, Get Doctors, And Recover Laundry Bundles

By W. J. DAVIS

R-r-r-r-i-i-i-n-n-ng!

It was the telephone at police headquarters in Asheville ringing at 3 a. m.

"Hello" called the sleepy sergeant as he lifted the receiver.

"Come quick, burglars are trying to get into the house," came the agitated reply. The address was given and two policemen dispatched in a hurry.

Reaching their destination, a window was found broken, and the occupants of the house in terror. While the policemen were looking around the house for signs of the burglar, a great noise was heard at the rear.

"Oh the flowers," screamed one of the women of the household. "The burglar has falen into the hot house."

Indeed, from the sound of the broken glass, it was quite evident that some one had fallen into something. Hurrying in the direction of the noise, the police found that Mr. Burglar was in quite a predicament. He did not pull a gun, as most burglars do. He did not curse his fate, at least not in language that could be understood. But there he was, alive, but badly cut and hopelessly entangled in a mass of flower pots and shrubs, such as must be placed in the hot house during the winter months.

After an hour and a half he was extracted from his glassy imprisonment. He was not taken to headquarters as most burglars are and he did not begin to tell the cops a yarn that would explain his presence. Instead he stood very mutely, giving them a look of appreciation for rescuing him. He was only a poor old mule, evidently hungry and seeking nourishment.

It is estimated that the police telephone rings about once every five minutes during the 24 hours that make up a day. Not all of these calls are for policemen, but a great many of them are. Hundreds and almost thousands of calls are answered every week by Asneville policemen.

It is estimated that 80 per cent of these calls are frivolous, that is are unnecessary, but they are answered quickly by the courteous police force of the city, who rush over the city in the dispatch of their duty.

Sometimes the police find situations that would melt stony hearts and at other times they laugh. Many times their services are needed, and many other times they can do nothing more than lend their presence.

People have queer ideas about

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Catch Burglars, Kill Cats And Etc.

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the things policemen are supposed to do, according to stories told by the officers.

"We are called upon to do everything under the sun," one "old timer" declared. He began to enumerate on his fingers the various things he had been asked to do, but found that he did not have enough fingers.

Some of the odd duties members of the police force are called upon to perform include killing sick cats, find sweethearts that have been spurned, make parrots stop talking, collect bills, get doctors, make washerwomen bring home clothes and various other things.

"The patrolmen who wear uniforms rarely ever make an arrest," Chief Messer said, but they render a service that is invaluable to the city and the general public.

Perhaps the greatest duty of the patrolmen and traffic directors is the answering of innumerable questions. People daily inquire the way to certain places in the city; they ask for information about the street cars, where the city policemen come from; how many men are on the force; what the population of Asheville is, how many letters are mailed in a day at the local postoffice; who certain women in the city married; how to get out of Asheville in certain directions; which is which way is north or south, and in fact, one traffic officer ventured that he had been asked everything that the human brain could conceive.

Do the policemen become annoyed at such questions? They do not. It is part of the game, they say, and several said that it is great fun being a policeman. The other day a lady approached Chief Messer, inquiring for Kentucky avenue. Chief was puzzled, because he did not recall that there is a Kentucky avenue in Asheville. After thinking hard for a minute, he asked "Are you by any chance looking for Lexington avenue?" The woman's face cleared instantly as she exclaimed, "That's it of course."

A negro approached one of the men a few days ago, and asked, "Is you a policeman?" The man was in uniform, there could be no mistake about his identity. He replied, "No, I'm a street car man," only in fun he said. The negro departing hastily replied, "Well, boss I was suah you'se a police."

The desk sergeant perhaps has the most questions to answer, outside of the patrolmen. He is asked very often by anxious house-wives whose clocks have stopped to tell the time of day. Because the station clock is directly in front of the sergeant's desk, the local department has decided that he can give the time more quickly than he can make an excuse for not giving it. The sergeant is often asked to give baseball scores, but deny this courtesy.

Two negroes had gone into a partnership in an automobile. One night both wanted to drive it. They could not agree, so they called the police to come and decide whose car it should be that night.

Not long ago two motorcycle officers were repairing a punctured tire. A man passed in a big automobile breaking the speed limit. They signaled him to stop, but he did not heed them. A few minutes later he came back, still speeding. The officers jumped into the middle of the street to stop him. When asked why he did not stop the first time, the man replied, "Oh, I thought you were a couple of Western Union boys fixing a bicycle tire."

The queerest sight I have ever seen, one officer said was an old negro who lives in the city. He is perfectly harmless, but when he gets about two-thirds drunk he gets out in the middle of the street and begins to direct traffic. One night I answered a call, and found the old negro out in the street with a ground-hog. He would bite the ground-hog, and then make the ground-hog bite him."

Another told of surprising a crowd of negroes engaged in a dice game on the roof of a building. One young negro dived out of the window, and landed on the ground below on his head. The police expected to find him dead, but when they came down he was standing there smiling.

Very often the police are called upon to reconcile husbands and wives who have been quarrelling, or fighting. Recently a woman called headquarters and delivered the following message.

"I wants you all to catch my husband. There is three of them. They are negroes. They will meet on the square in a few minuts to [illegible] negro wearing a brown suit, and the other is wearing a straw hat."

Furniture Van Takes A Tumble

—Photo By Citizen Staff Photographer.

Because one of the streets in French Broad Terrace was too steep for his truck to negotiate, Jake Satterwaite is in a local hospital. The truck rolled back down the street, went off a fill and turned over spilling household goods all over the landscape. Several hundred people attracted by the crash gathered at the scene.

NEGRO IS HURT AS VAN LEAVES ROAD

Satterwaite, Loses Control Of Heavy Truck On Hill

Jake Satterwaite, negro, was severely injured yesterday afternoon, when a heavily loaded furniture van, which he was driving overturned on a hill in French Broad Terrace, West Asheville.

The truck was being driven up a very steep grade, on the road that leaves Haywood road, just west of the French Broad river, and had almost reached the top when on account of the heavy grade, the driver was forced to change gears.

He experienced some difficulty in shifting into a lower gear it was said, and the truck started backward down the steep incline. Satterwaite applied the brakes, but was unable to hold the heavy [illegible] down the hill. The driver frantically tried to steer the machine, but as the speed increased, he was unable to do so, and the big truck backed off the road, struck a tree, and turned over [illegible] according to eye witnesses.

Another man who was ridfng with Satterwaite jumped from the receding truck, and tried to place a large rock under the wheel and stop it, but this was unsuccessful, due to its speed.

This, it is reported, makes the third truck that has met with a similar experience, and ran off the road striking the same tree. Satterwaite was taken to the Blue Ridge hospital and was reported as resting comfortably there late last night.

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FIRE DESTROYS WOOTEN'S HOME

House At 129 Swannanoa Avenue Partially Covered By Insurance

Fire destroyed the home of G. H. Wooten, at 129 Swannanoa avenue about midnight last night, with all its contents. There was no one at home, and the origin of the fire was undetermined. When discovered, the flames had gained such headway as to make it impossible for the fire department to reach it in time to save either the building or its contents.

Mr. Wooten is the nightwatchman at The Citizen building. His wife and one child were away. There was a small amount of insurance on the building, Mr. Wooten said.

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HUGE BEET GROWN IN LOCAL GARDEN BY AGED CITIZEN

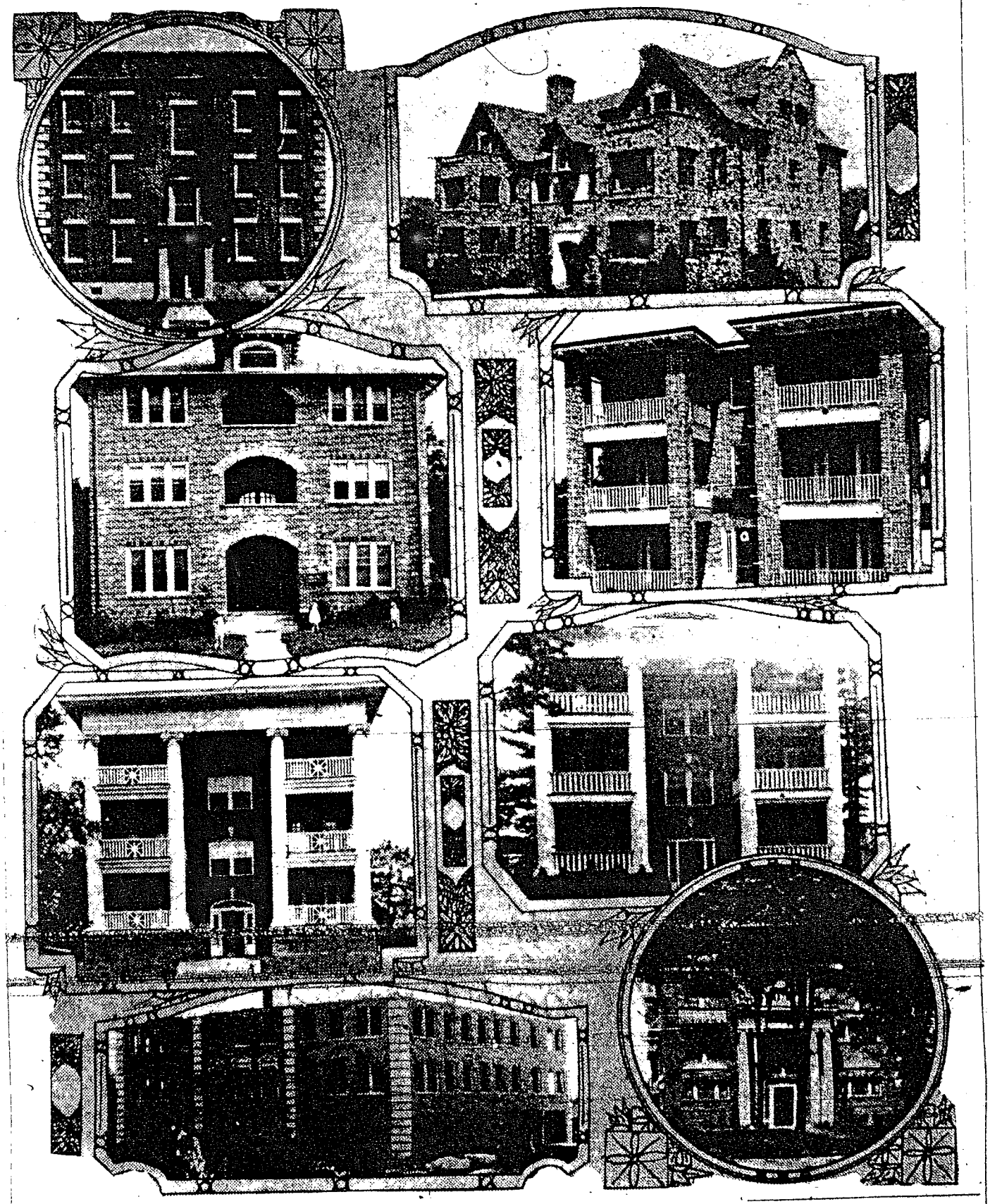
W. A. Brown, 83 years old, of 13 Woodrow avenue, has produced a giant beet in his garden, which is a challenge to the beet growers of Western North Carolina.

This beet weighs 7 1-2 pounds, is about 11 inches long and measures five inches in diameter. It was brought to The Citizen office when it was discovered on Mr. Brown's porch Tuesday.

In addition to growing beets Mr. Brown is successful in growing other vegetables. His garden, between a quarter and a half acre of ground, is full of vegetables of all kinds.

An ex-street car motorman, Mr. Brown was among the first men to drive street cars in Asheville. He retired from active service several years ago, and has given his attention in a great measure to gardening.

New Apartments In Asheville Show Lots Of Style



Top Row: (Left) The Belmont on Liberty street; (Right) The Frances on Cumberland Circle.
2nd Row: (Left) Brucemont Apartment, West Asheville; (Right) Renfro apartments on Elizabeth and Rankin.
3rd Row: (Left) The Colonial at 111 Cumberland avenue; (Right) The Cumberland at 141 Cumberland avenue.
Lower Row: (Left) Hill Apartments, under construction, on site of the old Chestnut street Methodist church; (Right) The Ambassador on Pearson Drive.

APARTMENTS INCREASE HERE EASILY RENTED

New Ones Are Constantly Going Up All Over The City

CHILDREN ARE BARRED IN SOME

Permanent Tenants Are The Most Desirable, Owners Find

The wave of apartment building that has swept Asheville in the last year is not unprecedented; it is, in fact, in the best American tradition.

The apartment essentially is an American institution. Long before the Pilgrim Fathers set foot on the shores of New England the prehistoric peoples of this continent had lived in luxurious apartment houses, fitted in the finest appointments of the day.

And what houses they were! These beautiful modern home structures that have sprung up here and there in Asheville within the last few years, would appear insignificant beside the prehistoric apartment houses. There were giants in those days. But whether they afforded the final word in comfort such as the Asheville apartments do archaeologists have yet to prove.

In those ancient days it was no uncommon thing for a thousand people to jam into an apartment house. One of those old structures, just recently dug from beneath a three acre-mound of wind-blown sand, revealed the walls and the clearly defined skeleton of the largest and best preserved of those old home structures—and a massive affair it must have been. It is believed that more than 1,500 people occupied it—and that it provided within itself all of the then-known advantages that a city ordinarily would be expected to afford.

Known as the Pueblo Bonito it has attracted the attention of the National Georgraphic society and of the Smithsonian Institute, ferret out from its interior enough on which to found a correct history of the early peoples that inhabited [illegible] came.

Distinctly Modern

But there is no need for a corps of engineers and archaeologists to uncover the tale of Asheville's apartments. They are, for the most part, distinctly modern. Most of them have come into being within a period of five years, and are equipped in the styles found adaptable to modern conditions in most of the largest cities of the country.

That apartment homes have become more and more fashionable here, appears to be indicated from the fact that within a week after the opening of the new Belmont apartment on Liberty street 18 of the apartments were taken.

Among the outstanding new apartments that have been opened to the public within the last year or so, may be mentioned the Cumberland, the Colonial, and the Francis—all on Cumberland avenue and Cumberland circle, the Ambassador on Pearson Drive, the Brucemont on Brucemont circle, West Asheville, the Buseck on Hillside street, the Edgemont in the Grove Park section, the Larchemont, the Joan, and the Jefferson, and the Longchamps.

Among those slightly older are the Commodore, the Cousins, the Carolina, and the Woodfin. There are, of course, many more older apartment houses, many of which were one time high class dwellings that by some alterations were converted into two, three and four apartment houses.

All The Trimmings

But the modern trend here is toward apartment houses designed as such from the ground up. They have been built with an eye on compactness as well as comfort. Most of them provide in addition to ordinary features, such as kitchen, bath, and plenty of closet space such items as electric ranges, electric refrigeration throughout, laundry space and storage room in the basement, garage space, and radio aerials.

Between furnished apartments and unfurnished ones the ratio is about equal, perhaps with the edge in favor of the unfurnished. The experiences different landlords vary widely. Some of them declare that it is almost impossible for them to suit any tenant's tastes in the matter of furnishings; others find diametrically opposite reactions to their efforts. Some find that the turnover from month to month is pretty heavy, others declare that

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their tenants tend more and more toward permanency.

Many of them agree that the demand for apartment houses built as such was a boon to people having children because of the prohibition of many "apartments in private homes" against children. And yet some of the owners of furnished apartment houses have found it necessary to draw lines because of the destructiveness of children as well as the noise. Rules on this matter differ with different owners.

Seek Permanent Tenants

The majority of the owners seek permanent tenants, although there are a few of them that plan for an expect a rather large turn over from month to month. Some owners demand long term leases. Others are willing to operate on a month to month basis. Another thing most of the apartment houses are leased by agents. The worry of handling tenants; of watching out to fill vacancies; of collections; and a thousand incidental features that arise in connection with the maintenance of such an institution proves a burden which many prefer to shift to shoulders better equipped to handle them.

One owner explained that the growing popularity of apartment houses may, in part, be attributed to the fact that they afford comfort with infinitely less worry than goes with the maintaining of a separate house. Modern wives, he pointed out, shrink from worrying with a furnace, and modern husband dislike the annoyance of attending to the many little details of upkeep which home-owners have to think about. Particularly young wives, unaccustomed to the responsibility of managing a household, find apartments less difficult to master.

Some owners have suggested that there may be an overbuilding of apartments here at the present time. The consensus of opinion prevails however that the addition of these modern apartments to the city has been a forward step which met an actual need.

GOOD ROADS DIRECTORS ASK CHANGE IN BRIDGE

SAY WEST END OF ASHEVILLE BRIDGE UNSAFE

Committee Appointed to Take Matter Up With City and County Commissioners at Once

Characterizing as dangerous the approach of the western end of the concrete bridge to West Asheville, the directors of the Good Roads association of Buncombe county, last night, following the receipt of a letter from a special committee of the Asheville chapter of the American Association of Engineers, went on record as indorsing a movement to have the bridge made "more safe" by the building of a flange to the structure.

A sketch was presented to the organization, showing the proposed changes, which, it is estimated, will cost at the most, $1,200. It is the plan of the association to urge that the distance between the edge of the bridge and the western end, be increased from two and three-fourth feet to twelve-and-one-half feet.

Among those making the inspection were C. H. Neal, H. L. Parker and others.

The inspection was made at the request of the association and they passed resolutions of thanks to the engineers for their co-operation. J. E. Rector, M. A. Erskine and Dr. C. V. Reynolds were appointed as a committe to take the matter up with the boards of city and county commissioners, relative to making the changes as soon as practicable. The meeting was presided over by Dr. E. B. Glenn, the president.

Secretary B. M. Jones was instructed to call attention of the city commissioners in regard to reported violations of the law by autoists, parking their cars at night without rear lights as required by law, and also to call attention of the board to the law requiring all automobiles to be equipped with front lights that strike the ground 18 feet ahead of the machines. Members of the association said there were "flagrant violations of these laws."

It was announced by the directors that a resolution was passed stating that the condition of the road from the western end of Smith's bridge to Bingham school was dangerous and the matter will be taken up with the city and county commissioners, urging them to make the necessary repairs as early as is practicable.

A tour of inspection of the roads of the county under the supervision of the county board was agreed on, at which time all places on the highways in need of repair will be noted and brought to the attention of the county commissioners. Representatives of the press will be invited to accompany the directors on the inspection tour, the date to be decided later. M. A. Erskine was appointed to work out the arrangements.

Approvement was voiced by the directors for the movement to provide the forests of Buncombe county, better protection and also indorsed the plan for the establishment next season of a camping ground for tourists. These camps are being established by many cities along the Dixie haghway.

After some discussion it was decided to seek the co-operation of the civic bodies of the city in calling to the attention of the city commissioners the need for resurfacing of the streets leading from the Asheville and Biltmore railway stations to Pack square.

The secretary was instructed to make plans for a supper to be given at an early date, where a general discussion of the Dixie highway and other matters pertaining to streets and thoroughfares of the city and county. At this meeting among those who will be invited to participate

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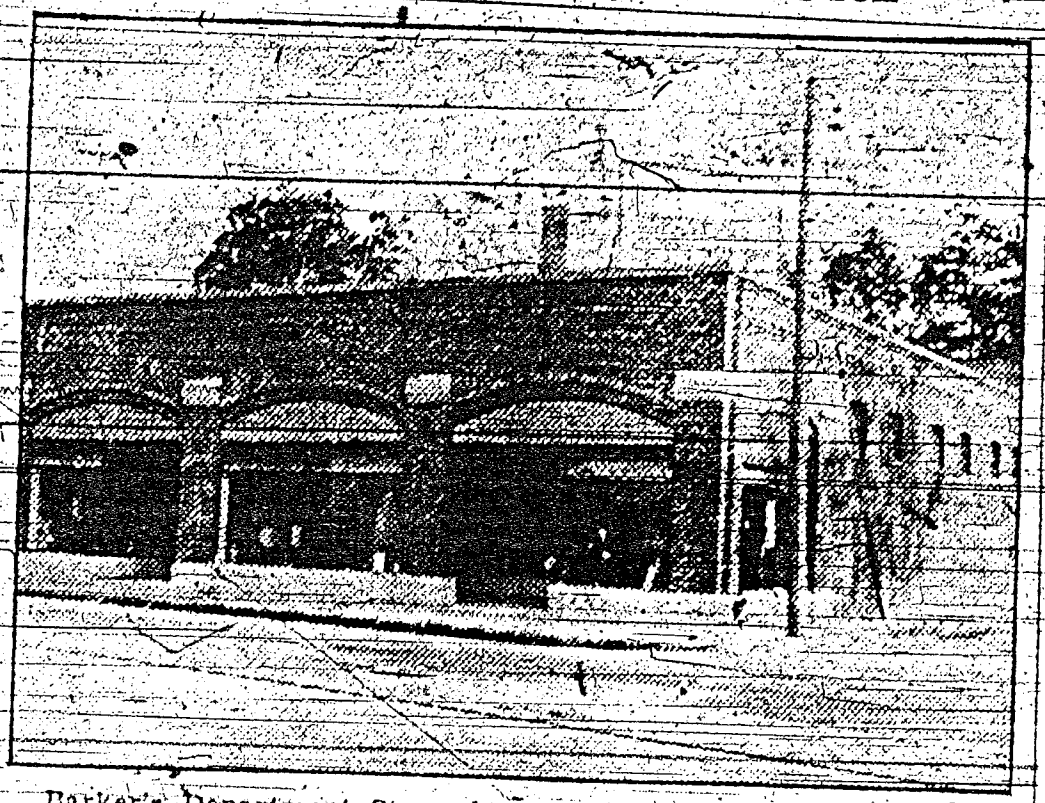
NEW DEPARTMENT STORE



Barker's Department Store, located at Haywood Road and Hanover street, in West Asheville, which observed its formal opening Thursday afternoon and night, when residents of the section of the city west of the French Broad river inspected their first department store.

From Asheville To Miami In Canoe

Wendall Moore, right, and Gus Matthews, Asheville boys, will leave in their canoe Tuesday, paddling down the French Broad, Little Tennessee, Tennessee, Ohio and Mississippi rivers to New Orleans, and from New Orleans around the Florida coast to the Florida Keys. They will be six months on the trip and will conduct an advertising campaign for the Chamber of Commerce along the route. Both of the young men were life guards at Recreation Park swimming pool this last summer and they will give exhibitions at all of the Southern pools along their route. Advance publicity will be sent out by the Chamber of Commerce and they will distribute Land of the Sky literature along their way.

Mountains To Gulf Trip To Be Made In A Canoe

Asheville Young Men Plan Adventurous 6-Month Excursion

Emulating Robert Louis Stevenson in his "Inland Voyage," Gus Matthews, son of Dr. A. Matthews, and Wendell H. Moore, son of Mrs. Herbert W. Pelton, 19 Kenilworth Road, will leave Asheville Tuesday in a canoe for Miami, Fla.

Mr. Matthews and Mr. Moore were life guards at Recreation Park this past summer and there conceived the plan for paddling through the various rivers down to the Gulf of Mexico and then around the coast to Miami. From there they will explore the Florida keys and come up the east coast to Jacksonville. They plan to be on their way six months.

The young men are both college men, Matthews having attended North Carolina State College and Moore, Wake Forest. Both have athletic records of note. En route they will advertise Asheville and the Land of the Sky for the Asheville Chamber of Commerce, carrying and distributing literature at all stops. They will wear Asheville sport togs and will give swimming and diving exhibitions at all swimming pools along the route that are open, especially in the South.

To Asheville W. N. C.

Their canoe has been painted attractively and on the sides they have their itinerary and "Asheville, The Land of the Sky." They had planned for some time to make the trip, but just recently the Chamber of Commerce became interested in the unique plan and the attention that it would attract for Asheville. From the mountains to the sea in a canoe making a devious course of many thousands of miles is no small task and is certain to attract considerable comment in every city through which the young men pass.

Their route will be down the French Broad River into the Little Tennessee River, then into the Tennessee River. From the Tennessee River they will come into the Ohio River at Paducah, Ky., and into the Mississippi River at Cario, Ill. They will then go down the "Big Muddy" to New Orleans and from there they will take a course around the coast to the Florida keys.

The Asheville Chamber of Commerce is speeding the way for the young adventurers by writing the chambers of commerce in every city and town along the route, giving the approximate date of their arrival. The canoeists will keep in touch with the Asheville Chamber and other letters will precede them on their extreme Southern route.

The trip has fired the imagination of the boys of Asheville and there has been heard much comment on the adventure among them. The trip is one that appeals to old and young alike and they will be received cordially everywhere, officials of the Chamber of Commerce said last night, following a meeting with the young men in which their Asheville advertising campaign was discussed.

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These Work For School Improvement At Aycock

The top group shows the mothers assembled at the home of Mrs. C. A. Hawkins, at 83 Westwood Place, West Asheville, president of the Parent-Teacher Association, last Thursday afternoon at the tea tendered by the mothers of Aycock School, honoring the members of the faculty.

The lower picture shows the group of teachers composing the faculty. Reading from left to right, front row, they are: Miss Valeria Gregg, Mrs. Dorothy Coleman, Miss Hazel Oliver, Miss Addie Lou Hudson, Miss Hannah F. Kinney, Miss Annie Glenn, Miss Lois Walls, Miss Pat Johnson, Mr. G. C. Brown. Reading from left to right, back row: Miss Annie Glenn, Miss Clemmger, Miss Riddle, Miss Simpson, Mrs. McConnell and Miss Grace Logan.

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LITTLE THEATER WILL ASSIST IN CHEST DRIVE

West Asheville Will Have Separate Division Under Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins.

The Little Theater has pledged through Mrs. Reuben Robertson its support to the Community Chest and is to help in the campaign from Oct. 24 to 27 by staging a pageant at the City Auditorium. This pageant will portray in a vivid and entertaining manner the character of work that is being done by the various agencies through the Community Chest. The entertainment is to last one hour and a half and will be free. The date will be announced later.

West Asheville this year is to have its own general in the Community Chest campaign and Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins has already accepted the generalship and is busy organizing her captains and lieutenants. West Asheville has grown so rapidly and is such a very important part of the city that the Community Chest directors adopted with the suggestion that the citizens on the west side of the river have their own separate division.

A special committee to solicit the foreign corporations doing business in Asheville is another important departure from former campaign methods, and L. B. Rogers, city commissioner of public works, has accepted the chairmanship.

C. L. Watkins, of Muncie, Ind., an authority on general welfare work, will broadcast over WWNC for several nights beginning next Tuesday evening human interest features that directors of the Community Chest feel will prove of immense interest to all who hear him.

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W. ASHEVILLE CHEST LEADERS ARE ORGANIZED

Mrs. Gaskins, Chairman Of Campaign Division, Picks Drive Organization.

Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, general of the West Asheville division of the Community Chest campaign, has completed the organizing of her captains and announced Tuesday as chosen in a general meeting held at the home of Horace A. Wells Monday night: Mrs. W. E. Logan, Mrs Wilbur Devendorf, Mrs. George C. Osborne, Horace A Wells and Cauley J. Ebbs.

Mrs. Gaskins is now organizing the entire section of West Asheville so that every citizen in that rapidly growing section of the city will have an opportunity to participate in the work as they never have had before.

C. L. Watkins, former governor of Rotary in Indiana and director of personnel for the General Motors corporation of Muncie, Ind., and a foremost authority on welfare work, will broadcast an interesting talk Tuesday night over Station WWNC. Mr. Watkins was invited to Asheville to participate in the Community Chest educational campaign and will broadcast every night this week. His stories of welfare work, it is said, are deeply interesting and have a heart appeal that holds every hearer's attention.

The pageant to be given by the Little Theater under the direction of Mrs. Reuben Robertson will take place Monday night, October 24, immediately after the opening dinner instead of Saturday, Oct. 22, as first planned. Mrs. Robertson and her committee are already hard at work on their program.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1927

URGES PREVENTION

Chief A. L. Duckett.

DUCKETT URGES PREVENTION OF FIRES IN CITY

Fire Chief Heading Drive To Educate Public On Fire Hazards.

Continuing the fire prevention campaign in connection with National Fire Prevention week which the Asheville firemen have launched, Chief A. L. Duckett spoke Wednesday at David Millard high school at 10:15 o'clock on fire prevention methods and the necessity of eliminating fire hazards.

Chief Duckett will make a similar address Thursday at the David Millard high school at the same hour. He will speak at the Rotary club meeting Thursday noon and at the Kiwanis club meeting Friday noon.

Friday night a fire school for forest rangers will be conducted by Chief Duckett and M. A. Mattoon, superviser of Pisgah National Forest.

Fire losses, according to Stacey W. Wade, state insurance commissioner, in a bulletin just issued, have for the first time in the state's history this year been lessened over the previous years. This is because of the efficiency of fire departments of the state, the hearty cooperation of the public in fire prevention, and the state firemen's association, the bulletin said.

In his speeches, Chief Duckett is urging co-operation of the public in cutting down fire losses. Fire losses in Asheville, he said, are being reduced as a result of such co-operation.

Fire Chief A. L. Duckett and Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, representing the Asheville Community Chest, were principal speakers at the meeting of the Hall Fletcher Parent-Teacher association held at the school building Tuesday night. Chief Duckett spoke on fire prevention and Mrs. Gaskins spoke on community chest work.

Delegates to attend the state meeting of the parent-teacher associations, to be held at Charlotte, Nov. 8, 9 and 10, were named as follows: Mrs. W. A. Bell, Miss Rena Nichols and Mrs. George C. Osborn. A committee, with Mrs. H. A. Wells, chairman, was appointed to assist in providing costumes to be used in presentation of a play by high school students.

Mrs. J. G. Greenwood, president, presided at the meeting. A music program was rendered by Miss Irene, Miss Mary Louise and Miss Grace Logan.

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W. ASHEVILLE RADIOIST GETS 28 STATIONS

John Honney Lists WTAX And WFAA In Log; More Lists Are Wanted

By Station WATT

WATT's request for radio listeners in western North Carolina to send in lists of their one-night achievements has brought an interesting log showing twenty-three stations listed on Monday nigh by John Honney, of 62 Fifth Avenue, West Asheville.

Our invitation is still open and we hope that a score or more of dial-twisters will send in a list. Any number over ten stations is worth while and may show some call letters which even their own air neighbors are unable to list often. How many get WDAE at Tampa? There was an excellent orchestra there, and we notice that is one on the list sent in by by Honney. We got it for about the first time Thursday night, probably because in our nightly wanderings from 200 to 550 we never sought it out. Let your lists come in at once. Perhaps Friday or Saturday night will find you at the dials for two hours or more, and you may be able to list a dozen or more interesting points. If so, write them down and mail to WATT right away, with notes on what you heard.

Anybody getting Canada frequently? What stations?

Here is Honney's list, heard through a Radiola 28 with WWNC on.

KDKA, 6:40 p. m.—Band.
WFAA, 6:45 p. m.—Woman singer.
KWY, 7—Sports.
WHO, 7:10—Band.
WJR, 7:20—Mixed vocal music and speech.
WLW, 7:25—Orchestra and baritone.
WEAF, 7:35—String quartet.
WWNC, 7:50—Mel Trotter revival service.
WJZ, 9:12—Accordion solo.
WSB, 9:30—Women's vocal duet and accordion.
WLW, 9:40—Jazz band.
WWKH, 9:50—Saxophone.
WBIW, 10—Piano solo.
WPG, 10:05—Women singing.
WFBM, 10:10—Piano and violin.
KFAB, 10:15—Recitation and orchestra.
WOI, 10:40—Jazz band.
KTNT, 10:50—Radio speech.
WRVA, 10:55—Three Blind Mice, song.
WWNC, 11—Plaza organ.
KSD, 11:05—Piano solo.
WJAY, 11:15—Banjo.
WDAD, 11:20—Awards and prizes.
WTAX, 11:25—Jazz band.
WEAF, 11:40—Chain band.

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~~Single Night~~ Logs Asked Of Fans Here

By Station WATT.

"One Fan's" logging of sixteen stations and twenty program sections during a single night, as announced in this column Tuesday, has caused considerable talk and speculation among other enthusiasts here. Owners of various models have been debating their power and selectivity with rival owners. The result is that The Times' radio editor has been asked to receive and print lists, furnished by radio set owners and attested by at least one friend who listens in at the same time, and showing the number and clarity of stations received.

Any fans who may care to try their sets out in such a test, may send in such lists, and the radio editor will be glad to make use of them.

Among the features you should tune in on Wednesday night, are WSAI's Michael Hauer's orchestra, 11 p. m.; The Royal Palace Artists to be heard over WPG; Gagan's Orchestra, from WEAF about the same hour and the Sylvania Foresters, WJZ at 8:30 p. m. This latter group may give you a pleasant surprise, if you have never tuned in on WJZ at the proper time to hear them.

Send your one-night logs in to WATT, Radio Editor, The Times, right away, giving approximate time consumed in tuning in the whole list, and the time spent on each wave length.

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SEVENTY-FOUR CONFEDERATE VETS HERE YOUNG ENOUGH TO ADMIRE PRETTY GIRLS

By A. D. JONES

IN ALL THE southland where memories of the courage and chivalry of southern soldiers will live forever it is doubtful if there could be found a more cheery and active band of veterans than the seventy-four boys of the sixties composing the Zebulon Vance Camp of the United Confederate Veterans in Asheville.

Virtually all are aged and gray. Many are infirm and afflicted. But their spirit is young. And there's nothing wrong with their morale. They carry on. The camp, it seems, is living proof that the dashing and courageous spirit of the illustrious soldier and statesman for whom it was named is being perpetuated in the lives of his comrades as well as in song and story.

Many of these mountain "boys" who shouldered their muskets in sixty-one in defense of the homeland are ninety years old or over now. Nearly all are passed eighty. But they haven't forgotten how to sound the "rebel yell," nor to get a big kick when the band plays "Dixie," and a thrill at the smile of a pretty girl. Their spirits are young. They carry on!

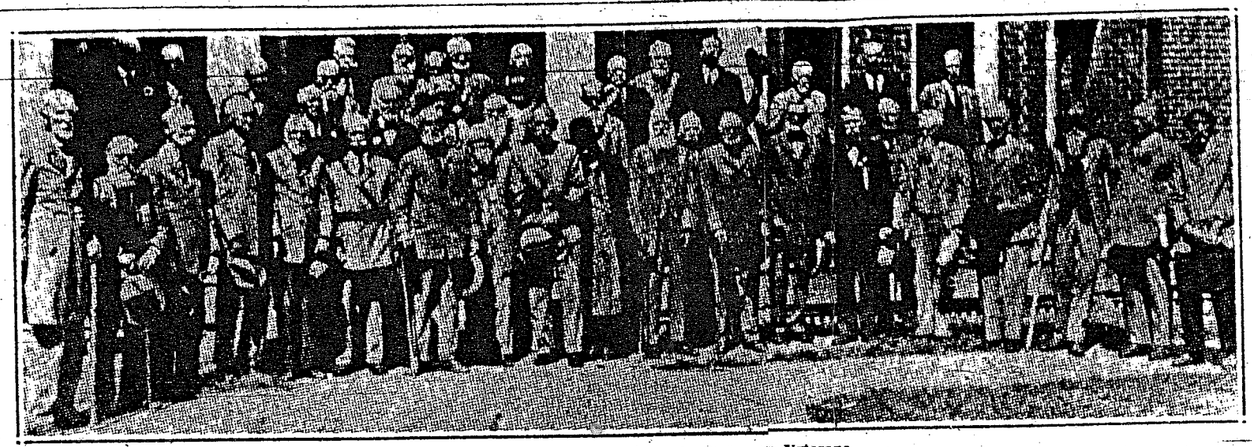
There isn't a veteran in the Zeb Vance camp who couldn't recite a story of humor or pathos about the thrilling days when the country was ravaged by a bloody civil war if he cared to do so.

Weaver Saw Own Grave

When Capt. W. E. Weaver, of Weaverville returned to his home after the bloody campaigns in northern Virginia, he stared into a yawning grave which had been dug to receive his body when news of his death was received by his family. The captain, after the passing of fifty-two years, doesn't think he'll need a grave for many years to come.

Col. Virgil S. Lusk, of Asheville, an active lawyer at ninety-two, recalls quite well the little hike of about 600 miles he took while returning to his home here at the close of the war. The colonel, always a venturesome soul, was captured when he got too familiar with the Yankee's front line defense. They took him down to prison at Fortress Monroe, Va., where he had to remain for two years. When he was released at the surrender he had to walk from the Virginia coast to his native mountains in western North Carolina—barefoot!

T. Y. Lytle, a member of the camp, who lives near Marion on the highway leading to Asheville, pulled the trigger of the first musket fired when actual hostilities were started between the north and the south. He is a tall, stalwart man, and is said to be a crack shot. There is no record as to the accuracy of his aim when he fired the first shot of the war.



The Zebulon Vance Camp of United Confederate Veterans.

The Typical Southern Soldier

Capt. W. C. Sales, of the Fairview section, who has a fine service record, has often been called a "typical southern soldier" because of his physique and his soldierly bearing. At a gathering of confederate soldiers several years ago a northern artist singled out Capt. Sales and wished to sketch his picture, as the Captain, in his opinion, represented a type of the "typical southern soldier."

There are two ministers in the camp: the Rev. Dan Atkins, of Asheville, a member of the western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, and the Rev. Thomas F. Glenn, of West Asheville.

Henry Grant, a blind veteran of the Fairview community, frequently comes to the camp meetings in Asheville, accompanied by his grandson. He is always jolly and in fine spirits.

L. J. Walker, who lost a leg during the war, is another veteran who comes to many of the meetings.

To W. T. Price, of Haywood county, goes the honor of being the best dancer in the camp; while Jack Dillon, of Asheville, because of his ability in handling the fiddle and the bow is called the "camp fiddler."

Dr. R. H. Reeves, of Asheville, 87 years old, is known as the best singer in the camp; while Major P. R. Young, also of Asheville, is famous for the "rebel yell."

William Stepp, of Black Mountain, is one of the few bachelors found among the ranks of the veterans. But, according to his friends, he is always at hand when there are any pretty girls about. He is noted for his gallantry.

R. L. Underwood, of Asheville, is one of the youngest men in the camp. When a lad of sixteen he ran away from his home and joined Thomas Bloody Legion.

Three Cherokee Indians, James Tail, Seviers Skitty, and Dickie Driver, all from the Indian Reservation in Swain county, were members of the Thomas Legion. They were recently made honorary members of the Zeb Vance camp.

S. D. Bishop, of Arden, is accounted one of the most gifted writers in the camp. J. B. Cain, one of the younger members, is clerk of Buncombe county court, and perhaps has as large an acquaintance as any veteran in camp.

G. D. Creasman, of West Asheville, is active at ninety-two. Captain Bede Smith, a descendant of the first white woman born in this section, is ninety-three years old. Tom Shope is a descendant of the pioneer, Daniel Boone.

Col. R. L. Fitzpatrick, of Asheville, is among the younger veterans. He is on the staff of Gen. W. A. Smith, commander-in-chief of the state organization of veterans.

Gen. Jack M. Edwards, commander of Zeb Vance camp, and also commander of the Fourth North Carolina Brigade, is hale and hearty at eighty-nine years of age.

Gen. Davidson A Member

Gen. Theodore Davidson, of Asheville, who has a fine war record, is a widely known lawyer and authority on history. His cousin, John Davidson, of Swannanoa, also a member of the camp, has a splendid record as a soldier.

W. F. Swaringan, who was wounded in action several times, had as many thrilling experiences as any soldier who fought in the southern army.

There are seventy-one active members of the camp, three honorary and three associate members, making the total membership seventy-seven. The camp officers are Gen. Jack M. Edwards, commander; Capt. W. C. Sales, first lieutenant; Capt. Dillard Gudger, second lieutenant; the Rev. Dan Atkins, chaplain; J. A. Rogers, flag bearer; P. B. Brown, quarter master; and Miss Eliza Woodfin Holland, adjutant, secretary and treasurer. Mrs. L. E. Fisher is custodian of properties, including flags, historical papers and other properties owned by the camp.

Miss Holland's father, Major William A. Holland, who has been dead for several years, raised a company of troops at Kinston and fought through the war. His two brothers, James and Clay Holland, were killed in battle.

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Miss Holland had several other kinsmen who fought in the southern army. She devotes much of her time to aiding and cheering the veterans.

The Zeb Vance Camp meets on the last Saturday of each month and the two Asheville chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Fanny Patton and the Asheville chapter, alternate in serving luncheon and in entertaining members of the camp.

Following is the roster of active members of the Zebulon Vance Camp:

Henry Alexander, Buncombe county; James Allen, Buncombe county; the Rev. Dan Atkins, Asheville; J. H. Brown, West Asheville; E. Byerly, Buncombe county; S. B. Bishop, Arden; D. A. Bright, Buncombe county; Jack Campbell, Asheville; J. B. Cain, Asheville; John Carver, Asheville; G. D. Creasman, West Asheville; D. V. Cole, Leicester; J. F. Cashatt, Asheville; W. B. Case, Buncombe county; J. M. Case, Buncombe county; Jack Dillon, Asheville; Theodore Davidson, Asheville; John Davidson, Swannanoa; Gen. Jack M. Edwards, Swannanoa; D. H. Frisbee, Buncombe county; Col. R. L. Fitzpatrick, Asheville; H. L. Frady, Biltmore; Spencer Freeman, Fairview; Capt. Dillard Gudger, Buncombe county; Henry Grant, Fairview.

Gen. J. W. Goodwin, Asheville; J. S. Gregg, Buncombe county; E. B. Goldsmith, Democrat; the Rev. Thomas F. Glenn, West Asheville; Larkin Hodges, Buncombe county; John Houck, Marion; P. M. Jones, Asheville; Andy King, Buncombe county; Mr. Kirkpatrick, Haywood county; T. Y. Lytle, near Marion; S. P. Langford, Buncombe county; W. L. Lunsford, Buncombe county; Mr. Ledbetter, Buncombe county; Press Lane, Henderson county; D. L. Moore, Asheville; John Parton, Haywood county; N. A. Penland, Swannanoa; G. I. Peigler, West Asheville; J. R. Penley, Buncombe county; H. E. Parham, Buncombe county; C. A. Reed, Asheville; J. A. Rogers, West Asheville; Dr. R. H. Reeves, Asheville; D. W. Reynolds, Buncombe county; Horace Smith, Beaverdam; W. T. Price, Haywood county; T. J. Shipman, Buncombe county.

Major F. R. Young, Asheville; Capt. W. E. Weaver, Weaverville; Capt. W. C. Sales, Fairview; William Stepp, Black Mountain; W. F. Swaringan, Asheville; Capt. W. B. Smith, West Asheville; Tom Tweed, West Asheville; R. T. Underwood, West Asheville; L. J. Walker, Buncombe county; J. J. Stevenson, Alexander; Jim Morris, Bent Creek; Tom Shope, Buncombe county; W. J. Warlick, Buncombe county; George White, Buncombe county; H. S. Walton, Asheville; Col. V. S. Lusk, Asheville; R. M. Phelps, Asheville; L. D. Williams, Marion.

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SHOW FIGHT OF JACK AND GENE IN W. ASHEVILLE

Eubanks Gets Films For Friday, Saturday; At Strand Next Week.

Manager W. H. Eubanks, of the West Asheville theater, scored a technical knockout in the first round of the legal fight over the showing of Dempsey-Tunney fight films when he started displaying the picture at 10 o'clock Friday morning in his theater, and expected to continue the reels through Friday and Saturday.

In the meantime, H. S. Amos, manager of the Strand, and Publix Theater officials here went ahead with their plan to exhibit the full fight also all next week at the Strand, despite word from Statesville that the management of two Publix Theaters in Charlotte had been indicted but had posted $5,000 bond and were continuing the showings.

The exhibition of such films, Judge E. Y. Webb ruled in federal court at Statesville, is legal, the films are not subject to confiscation and any law to the contrary is unconstitutional. The grand jury, however, had indicted the theater interests.

The judge's decision came after a heated argument in which Thomas J. Harkins, district attorney, sought to impound the films in Charlotte.

Similar reels were seized in Atlanta after showing for more than two days. The exhibit of the films in West Asheville is the first showing in western North Carolina, and was drawing a big crowd Friday. The West Asheville theater recently was overhauled and heating equipment improved.

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FOURTH PRIZE WINNER
Two Orchestra Seats Auditorium
—Broadway Poem Contest

MRS. T. C. WARREN

891 Haywood Road

No words can picture,
No pen portray,
The real night life
Of old "Broadway."

On November the second,
If you visit the play
You may know the truth,
Of old "Broadway."

The Ticket Awards Will Be for the Sensational Drama "Broadway," to be Seen at the Auditorium, November 2 and 3.

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Mr. Burnette has secured, single handed, more than 100 members for the Locke Craig council, members of the order declare.

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Biltmore Council, 324, was founded on November 15, 1910, by F. A. Walton and E. F. Pressley. A. T. Davidson was first councilor of Biltmore lodge. Present officers are E. A. West, Sr., councilor; H. L. Taylor, vice councilor; C. A. Waldrop, recording secretary; J. P. McMinn, assistant recording secretary; G. F. Bell, financial secretary; E. F. Press-

treasurer; E. E. Wright; N. Johnson, warden; inside sentinel; W. E. e sentinel; J. R. Todd, R. Hughey, past coun Davidson, E. A. Ponder nard, trustees; H. V. Miller, J. F. Wood, and E. E. Wright, representatives to the state council.

Other prominent members of the Biltmore Council include Judge Zeb V. Nettles, Representative Harry Nettles, and Mayor J. P. Kitchin. D. J. Pressley has served twice as councilor of the lodge.

Juniors from every section of North Carolina gathered last Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at Elizabeth City for the annual state council meeting. Nineteen new counties have been instituted in North Carolina during the past year, according to a report given by the state secretary, and from a financial standpoint the council is in excellent condition.

Junior in Asheville are now looking forward to the Labor day parade to be staged here on September 3, in which approximately 1,500 Juniors are expected to participate.

Other towns in the Asheville district in which the Junior Order has been instituted include Canton, Tryon, Saluda, Leicester, Fairview, Alexander, Fletcher, Waynesville, Balsam, Brevard and Rosman. Fletcher council 183, was not organized until May 1, 1928, but has attained a membership of fifty.

Growth Seen In Population And Buildings

Inspiration for the optimist and a certain cure for the pessimist awaits the observant visitor who will take a little journey around the mile after mile of beautifully paved boulevards in that rapidly growing city on the west side of French Broad river—West Asheville.

To illustrate the wave of progress which is sweeping over western North Carolina, West Asheville stands as one of the best examples of the steady growth which has marked the development of this region for a past decade.

Here are a few figures, estimated, yet obtained from the most reliable sources available, showing something of West Asheville's remarkable growth.

When West Asheville was first incorporated fifteen years ago its population was less than 1,000. Today the population figure is pushing the 20,000 mark.

Vast Building Program

Within the past two years, according to estimates from men who have played conspicuous roles in building the city, more than $2,000,000 has been spent for new buildings. This figure does not take into account the large amounts involved in buildings now under construction.

Five years ago West Asheville had four paved streets. Haywood Road, Westwood Place, Brevard Road and the County Home road. Today it has approximately 50 miles of smoothly paved boulevards. In addition it has an excellent system of sewerage, water and lights. Street cars and buses supply ample transportation facilities.

As every statistician expert knows, post office figures are a most reliable barometer to a city's status. Six years ago the West Asheville post office employed a postmaster and one letter carrier. Today, the office employs nine persons, five of whom

The West Asheville Spirit

There is a West Asheville spirit! Whoever visits the city will find it. People who live in West Asheville are strong for their home city. They boost West Asheville. They have boundless faith in its growth. They have a weakness for strong schools and fine churches. The men and the women both have clubs—clubs devoted to community progress and welfare. These organizations are more than mere social clubs—they are active in every important civic movement.

Asheville, as everyone knows, has long been a sufferer from acute attacks of "growing pains." It has needed and still needs more room. Space in which to stretch out and develop beautiful residential sections, new scenic drives, new business houses and manufacturing enterprises. There is an old saying, which is especially applicable to North Carolina "Cities grow west." West Asheville is living proof of the truth in the old adage. With the growth of Greater Asheville the mighty surge of the building wave crossed the French Broad river and is spreading over West Asheville like a restless tide. The cow pasture of ten years ago is the marvelous residential subdivision of today. The growth, although steady and continuous, smacks of magic.

Distinctive Community

Saturday a resident of West Asheville recalled there were only sixteen homes in the place twenty-five years ago. There was a one-room school house then where nineteen pupils learned what they could of the "three Rs."

A picture, drawn by contrast of conditions then and now, is hardly believable. The West Asheville of today is an important city within a greater city. Heart and soul it is a part of the greater city, yet it has

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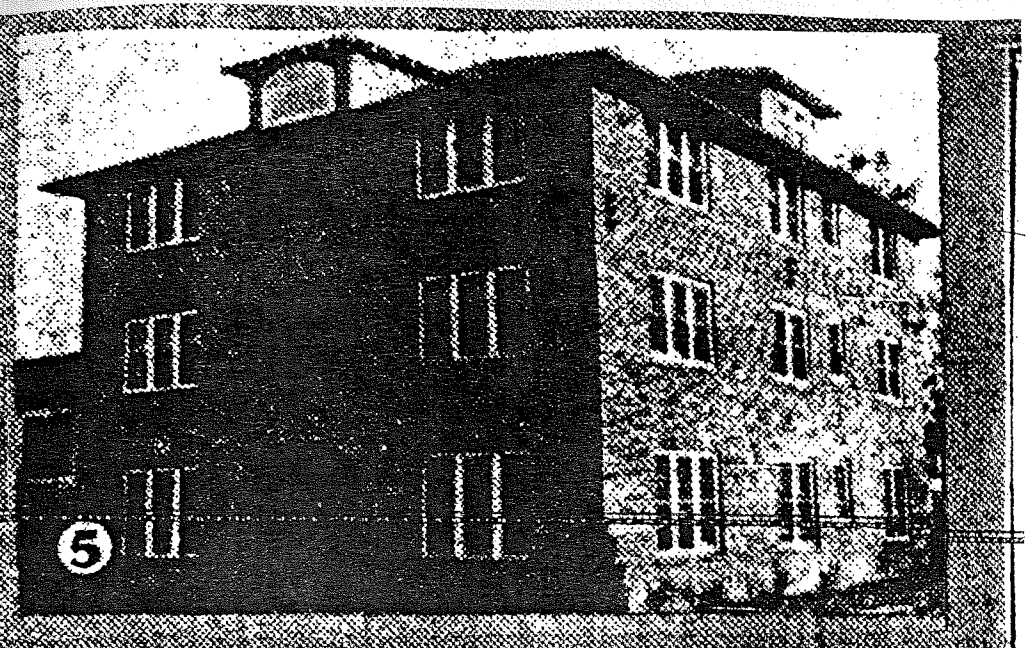
Drive, Horney Heights, Bella Vista, Lucerne Park, Malvern Hills on the outskirts of the city, Horneyhurst, the Zachery Estates and in many other sections. West Asheville offers such a wide selection of desirable home sites that the millionaire or the man working for a moderate salary can find what he desires in locating his home. Proof of this statement lies in the fact that both classes of home owners go to make up the population of West Asheville.

If the type of schools and churches erected in a community are indicative of the character of its people, West Asheville residents deserve highest rating. Nearly all of its schools and its houses of worship are new, commodious and pretentious. Its churches are the Balm Grove Methodist Episcopal, the Wesleyan Methodist, The Calvary Baptist and the Presbyterian. The public schools are the great Hall Fletcher high school, Vance, Aycock and Eugene Rankin schools. The Joan of Arc Catholic school is situated in West Asheville.

Home-Owning Community

West Asheville's fire and police departments are housed in a handsome brick building erected under a previous administration of Asheville's present mayor, Gallatin Roberts, himself a resident of West Asheville.

West Asheville has its business houses and enterprises, but many of its residents are employed in Greater Asheville, east of the river. For this reason many West Asheville people are commuters. But all who live west of the river are proud of their home community. West Asheville is essentially a community of home owners.



4. Heart of the business district in West Asheville looking east on Haywood road from the intersection of Hanover avenue. More than half the buildings shown were erected by Dr. Anderson during the past year.

5. Brucemont Circle apartment, in the center of one of the most beautiful and rapidly growing residential sections of the city. This structure, owned by C. F. Pope, was recently finished at a cost of approximately $32,000. It contains six four-room apartments.

6. Residence under construction on Dorchester avenue near the Brucemont Circle section. This modern dwelling is representative of the types of homes being built in West Asheville.

7. New home recently erected by Jesse Bailey, chief of Southern Railway detectives in Asheville and formerly sheriff of Madison county. Mr. Bailey's home, constructed of native stone, is one of the many new homes on the rapidly developing Riverview drive, circling the hills over-looking the French Broad river and commanding an excellent view of Asheville.

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Buildings That Are Illustrative of West Asheville's Growth and Beauty

1. Modern structure of stucco finish containing stores, a filling station, and apartments, recently erected by T. C. Warren, of West Asheville, at a cost of approximately $23,000. The building occupies a triangular site with frontage on Haywood Road, Sulphur Springs Road, and Madeline avenue.

2. The Bledsoe building, owned by J. T. Bledsoe, costing approximately $200,000 and now in the final stages of completion. The building, of the most modern type, contains eight store rooms on the first floor with 55 rooms for apartments or offices on the second floor. It fronts on Haywood road at the intersection ov Vermont avenue and Sandhill road. Plans have been completed for building a large garage and filling station on a site near the new building, Mr. Bledsoe announced Saturday.

3. Beautiful home of Dr. J. G. Anderson, a leading citizen and one of the largest property owners in West Asheville. The residence, one of the finest in the city, fronts Haywood Road and Tampa avenue.

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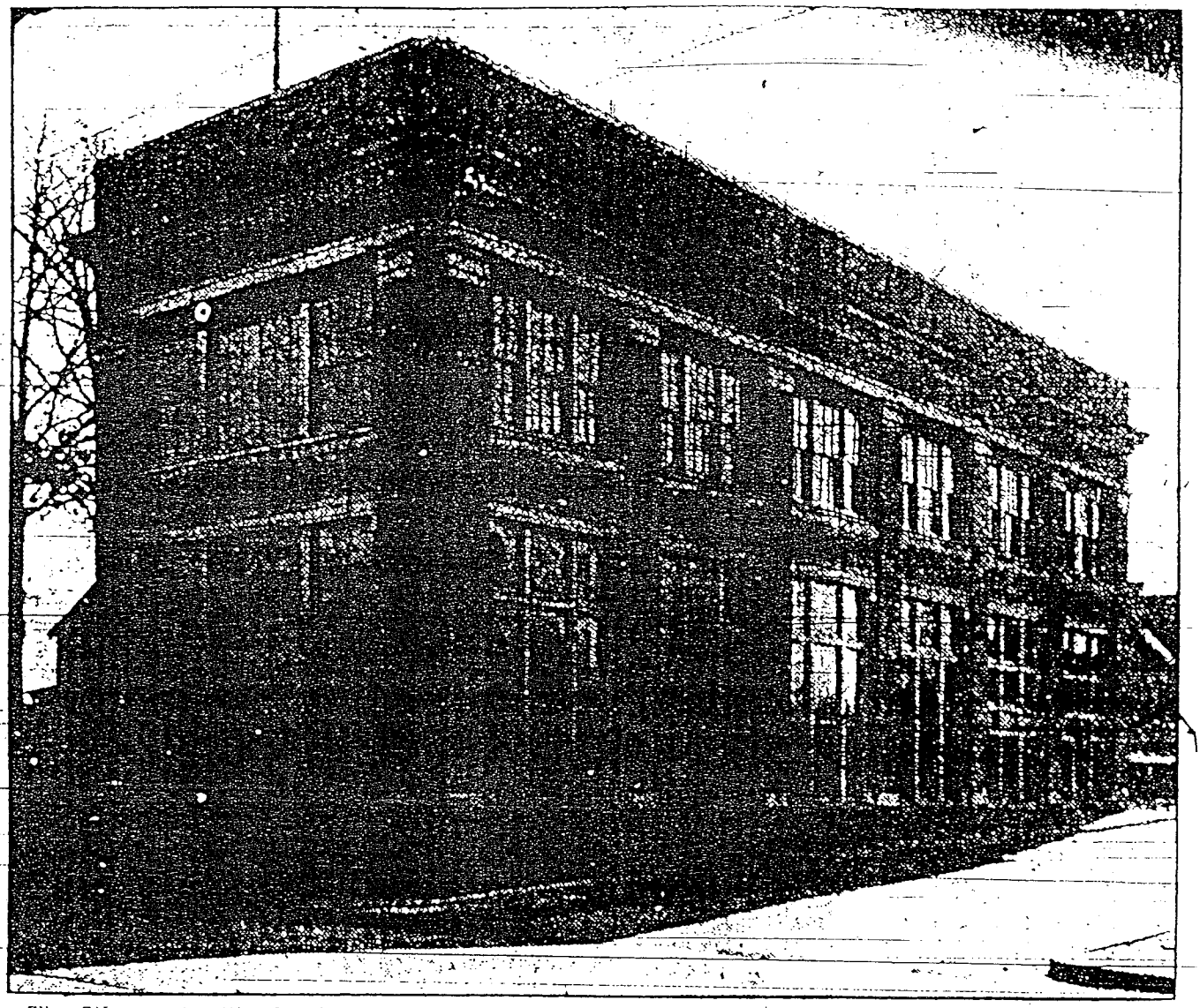
Celebrates 13th Anniversary November 25th



The West Asheville Bank, Friday will celebrate 13 years of continuous service to people of that community with a record which shows it has been keeping pace with the rapid growth of this thriving suburban city.

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New Bridge Likely For W. Asheville

The most vital civic issue facing West Asheville today is the proposal to erect a new and spacious bridge across French Broad river that would form a safe and convenient link with Greater Asheville and eliminate to a great extent the congestion, the delays, and the dangers incident to crossing over the bridges now in service.

There is every assurance that this bridge will be built Mayor Gallatin Roberts, who has been intensely interested in the project before and since he took office last May, has announced that the bridge will be erected as soon as plans for financing and constructing the improvement can be made.

The first official steps looking to building the bridge were made recently when Stanley H. Wright, city engineer, started a preliminary survey along the river with the idea of determining the best location for the structure.

Three Bridges Now Used

At present there are three bridges spanning the river between Asheville and West Asheville; two for vehicular and pedestrian traffic and the Southern railway bridge. The approaches to the vehicular and pedestrian bridges, the Haywood Road and Smith's bridge, are steep and dangerous. The Haywood Road bridge carries the street car tracks of the Carolina Power and Light company and the heaviest traffic burden.

On completion of his survey the city engineer is expected to present the bridge plans before the city commissioners with recommendations. The most popular opinion with reference to a site, especially among West Asheville residents, seems to be that the bridge should start from the end of Patton avenue on the east side of the river and cross over on easy grade, so that the western end of the structure would rest somewhere in the vicinity of Westwood Place.

On the basis of facts so far apparent from the preliminary survey, Mr. Wright Saturday said he was of the opinion that the bridge should be at least sixty feet wide. This width, it was indicated, would allow ample space for sidewalks, car track and a four-way road for vehicles.

Would Cost $2,000,000

In order to eliminate steep approaches, it is believed, the bridge would necessarily be approximately 3,000 feet long and about 100 feet above the surface of the river. The cost of such a structure, according to tentative estimates, would range from $1,500,000 to $2,000,000.

In addition to linking Asheville and West Asheville, it is pointed out, the new bridge would also form a shorter and better route for traffic across the city. Cross-city traffic entering Asheville from the east through the Beaucatcher mountain tunnel, now under construction, could move across the city and pass out with safety and convenience over the new bridge.

The city commissioners have informally discussed with power company officials the proposition of projecting a car line across the new bridge. While nothing definite has resulted from these negotiations power company officials have expressed themselves as favoring a plan to improve street railway facilities in West Asheville.

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THE ASHEVILLE TIMES

CAMPAIGN STARTED BY WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB TO BUILD NEW BRIDGE

The West Asheville club proposes to exert its every effort in the move to erect a new high bridge connecting the eastern and western sections of the city, it was declared Monday by Hugh Sowers, newly elected president of the club.

The club has appointed a committee with Dr. Newton M. Anderson as chairman, the president said, to ~~draw a petition for presentation~~ before the city and county commissioners urging the improvement.

This petition, it was stated, is to embody three requests:

1. That the bridge be erected as soon as funds can be made available for its construction.

2. That the level of the bridge shall be such as to avoid steep approaches, maintaining practically the level of the street car tracks at the west end of Patton avenue.

3. That the bridge shall be located not further south than the present bridge on which the car tracks are laid, nor further north than the immediate vicinity of Smith's bridge.

This petition, in substance, Mr. Sowers said will be presented before various civic clubs and citizens generally for approval or disapproval before it is carried before the city and county commissioners.

The club, the new president said, will also urge more adequate facilities, further street improvements and additional lighting facilities for West Asheville.

The West Asheville club meets at the all Fletcher high school building the first and the fourth Thursdays in each month. At the last meeting new officers were elected as follows: Hugh Sowers, president; H. B. Posey, vice-president; Bert Starnes secretary and treasurer. New members of the board of directors were elected as follows: J. E. Divelbiss, W. S. Johnson, Don C. Young, A. L. Duckett and C. B. Anderson.

In accepting the presidency, Mr. Sowers said he hoped to see the work of the club greatly expand during the ensuing year. He expressed the hope that many new members will be added and that the club will succeed in bringing about

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SPEED SERVICE OF TROLLEYS TO WEST ASHEVILLE

Seven-and-a-half Minute Schedule To Be Begun Within Three Weeks.

Seven and a half minute street car service to and from West Asheville will be placed in operation by the Carolina Power and Light company within the next three weeks, C. S. Walters, vice-president of the company, announced Tuesday.

The Carolina Power and Light company, Mr. Walters announced, has received a permit from the city to build two new switches, one at the side of the car barns on Asheland avenue, and the other on Haywood road, near Buffalo street, which will permit the speeded-up service. The two switches will cost nearly $15,000. Engineers started work on the two stretches of track Tuesday.

No definite announcement as to the exact schedule under the new service was announced. The fast service, however, will be run at first, only during peak hours. When the new service is established, the present system of sending the busses of the company to Pack square will be abolished. These busses will be operated from the end of the West Asheville car line to Malvern Hills and Horney Heights. A fare of ten cents will be charged passengers transferring from the street cars to the busses.

Improvement of the car service, it was said, is the result of conferences between Mayor Gallatin Roberts and officials of the Carolina Power and Light company. During the past three months the Carolina Power and Light company has spent about $80,000 on new switches and additional trackage to improve service. This figure includes the new College street spur which has accelerated West Asheville and Montford avenue service and improved the Charlotte street service.

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CANOEISTS REACH NEW ORLEANS

Matthews And Moore Say They Are Enjoying The Trip

"The Misogynist," a small canoe in which Gus Matthews and Wendell Moore left Asheville September 28, was scheduled to leave New Orleans, La., this morning. The entire journey has been made from Asheville to New Orleans by water. The goal of the venturous inland seamen is Miami, which they hope to achieve within a few weeks.

In their long trip, Matthews and Moore went over the waters of the French Broad, Tennessee, Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. Along the route they are distributing Asheville Chamber of Commerce data concerning Asheville and Western North Carolina.

Each night the canoeists camp wherever darkness overtakes them. They are equipped with cooking and camping utensils and have written home that they have enjoyed the voyage thoroughly.

Asheville Times November 22, 1927

WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB STARTS CIRCULATION OF BRIDGE PETITIONS

Circulation of 300 petitions by members of the West Asheville club for construction of a new high bridge over the French Broad river to link West Asheville more closely with the main section of Asheville was started Wednesday morning.

When the petitions are signed they will be presented to the city commissioners with a request the bridge be built as specified. Beside the petitions given the members of the club a special committee of twelve men was assigned to push the work. The petitions seek construction of the bridge at the earliest possible moment.

The petitions were given the club members at a meeting of the club Tuesday night at which various projects for the development of the rapidly growing West Asheville section were proposed.

Among these projects was the development of a park system on one of three tracts owned by the city in Horney Heights, Bella Vista, and the Strawberry Hill section. This proposal was made by Don C. Young, Asheville attorney. Mr. Young made a stirring address on behalf of the club aimed at getting the city commissioners to develop these tracts into parks for the West Asheville section. He suggested building a swimming pool on the Horney Heights tract.

Establishment of a white way system along Haywood road was also urged by the West Asheville club at its meeting. The lighting system would extend on both sides of the road from Michigan avenue to Hanover street and from Fairfax to Vermont avenue. This project, it was said, will be handled by residents of the West Asheville section who will present the matter shortly to the Carolina Power and Light company for consideration as soon as a sufficient number have signed up for the project.

Dr. H. G. Brookshire spoke before the club members on "Health as Related to Playground Activities." He urged playgrounds and parks for children to cut down juvenile delinquency. The Rev. J. S. Hiatt made a short address on the progress of the club.

Hugh Sowers, who presided at the club meeting, told members that the improvement committee will present a definite program of progress for the club at meeting in January. A membership drive is to be started by the club shortly, it was announced.

The meeting of the club was held at Hall Fletcher high school. Dinner was served by women of the Community Club of West Asheville. The West Asheville club holds meetings the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

Asheville Times November 23, 1927

WEST ASHEVILLE BRIDGE NEEDED

New Link Would Be Of Invaluable Service, Says J. L. Martin

The construction of a bridge joining Asheville to West Asheville will be another step from which both sides of the river will benefit in the opinion of J. L. Martin, one of West Asheville's leading realtors.

This bridge, Mr. Martin states, will be of invaluable service not only from a standpoint of offering another avenue of traffic but would band both sections into closer communication. "The bridge is something we have needed for some time and from all I can understand both Asheville and West Asheville people are highly in favor of its construction."

It will open another avenue of travel in a community whose growth has been nothing short of remarkable, Mr. Martin stated. "I first came to West Asheville five years ago, and the community's advancement in that period of time has been marvelous. It is destined to become one of the leading sections of Asheville proper.

"West Asheville was a scattered development having approximately 1,200 people in 1914, while today the estimated population is 18,000. That speaks well of the favoritism which is being shown West Asheville and the faith of many in its future."

"I believe firmly in the community's future, so much so that I am content to stake my business interests in it. There are a better class homes being erected than was the case several years ago and so far as I am personally concerned, it seems a mistake for many prospective home builders not investigating the situation fully before building."

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BINGHAM SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED

Will Open Again Next Fall After Repairs Are Completed

Bingham Military School will not open the 1928 session, but will suspend operations for one year in order that the entire group of buildings may be renovated and additional quarters built, it was announced yesterday by Bingham McKee, associate headmaster of the school. Possibly the first dormitory of the new group of buildings, which will eventually cost $250,000, will be added to the present plant next spring.

When the 1927-28 school year closed in June, Colonel S. R. McKee, headmaster of the famous old institution, announced that it was the plan of the directors and owners to build a fine school plant on Bingham School hill overlooking the French Broad River. This plant will be constructed in Gothic style and will accommodate 250 students.

It was at first thought that work would begin this summer on the new school plant and that a limited number of students would be accommodated this fall, but Mr. McKee said yesterday that since it has been decided to postpone the regular fall opening for one year, more time will be taken in putting the present buildings in shape and possibly work on the new plant for next year.

About 40 applications were refused for this fall's opening. Letters were written the boys explaining that the school will be closed one year. The football schedule was cancelled last June when it was announced that but a limited number of boys could be taken this fall.

Bingham School is one of the oldest in the South and its fame has spread abroad. A number of Asheville residents have said that they hope to see the new school plant in operation as soon as possible. Colonel McKee is the fifth headmaster of the school.

Asheville Citizen January 7, 1928

WEST ASHEVILLE GROWTH TRACED

Club Hears Talks By D. Hiden Ramsey And L. H. Watkins

Addresses by D. Hiden Ramsey, manager of the Asheville Times, and L. H. Watkins, of the Maxwell School for Boys, at Franklin, and musical selections by the Helton string band featured the regular semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville Club last night at the Hall Fletcher High School building.

A large crowd attended, including a number of new members secured in the campaign now under way. The contest will come to an end in two weeks.

The co-operation of its citizenry will assure Asheville of success in the coming year, said Mr. Ramsey in his address on "Asheville." "Asheville's future is assured if we have the confidence, the proper business relations and the willingness to offer our wholehearted support to this program."

He recalled 11 years ago when West Asheville was accepted into the corporate limits of Asheville. Mr. Ramsey traced the remarkable growth of the section, and instead of a small residential section, it has developed into one of the major parts of Asheville. "Despite West Asheville's growth, it has maintained its neighborliness," said Mr. Ramsey. "Your Club's duty is to preserve that neighborliness and friendliness."

Mr. Watkins spoke on the work of the Maxwell School, and how the instructors were laboring in an endeavor to make men.

Asheville Citizen January 27, 1928

23 STUDENTS GET SPLENDID MARKS

Hall Fletcher Boys And Girls Placed On The Honor Roll

Twenty-three students at Hall Fletcher high school made a scholarship average of "A" every month during the last semester, and their names appear on the fall semester Honor Roll just issued from the office records there.

The boys who have by their grades attained this honor are Raymon Miller, Charles J. Starnes, and J. Robert Carr. Twenty girls were consistent "A" students from September to February. They are: In the eighth and ninth grades: Florine Fitzgerald, Bernice Foster, Adelle Holloman, Virginia Reynolds, Hazel Sanders, Elva Green, Rose Panick, Grace Robinson, Kathleen Byrd, Marian Wells, Annie Lou Bell, and Carol Frissell. In the tenth and eleventh grades: De Etta Almon, Ruth Penland, Beverly June Pruette, Winifred Foster, Margaret Doe, Marian Kahn, Margaret Spivey, and Ovelda Hammond.

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WEST ASHEVILLE THEATER CLOSES

Tom Stelling, Manager, Placed In Charge Of Property

Because of receivership proceedings against the operating company, the West Asheville theater, a motion picture house in the western section of the city has closed its doors pending further order from the Superior court at Charlotte, where the receivership was instituted.

The Carolina Theaters, Inc., with headquarters in Charlotte, operated the West Asheville house and about nine others in smaller cities of North Carolina. Most of them it is understood here, will be closed pending liquidation of the company by the court at Charlotte. The order providing for the receivership was signed by Judge William F. Harding on request of A. B. Coleman, vice president of the company, according to a Associated Press dispatch received here. The Continental Trust company of Charlotte, has been appointed receiver.

The receiver is to make his returns to the court March 12. The petition asking for the receivership stated that several suits had been filed against the corporation and the concern is unable to meet its obligations.

Tom Stelling, who was manager of the West Asheville theater just before the receivership, has been placed in charge of the local property pending the outcome of court proceedings.

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WEST ASHEVILLE BANK GROWING

H. B. Posey Is Credited With Good Showing Of Institution

H. B. Posey, cashier of the Bank of West Asheville, is the guiding spirit of the financial institution "across the river." Its growth has been remarkable, and regular dividends of 10 per cent have been paid for several years.

G. D. Carter is the president; Dr. J. G. Anderson, vice president; Mr. Posey, cashier, and Mrs. Fannie C. Posey, assistant cashier.

The directors are: Gallatin Roberts, M. L. Maney, Robert M. Wells, Dr. J. G. Anderson, G. A. Shieder, G. D. Carter, John A. Grobes, Mrs. W. E. Logan, J. S. Mardis and H. B. Posey.

Asheville Citizen February 18, 1928

Bledsoe Building Will Open To Public Today

Beautiful West Asheville Building Ready For Occupancy

The opening of the beautiful new Bledsoe building today in West Asheville sees the final dream of its builder, J. T. Bledsoe fulfilled. This huge building covers the better part of a large city block and with its completion, West Asheville can well afford to boast of one of the finest structures both from the point of building materials and general layout, to be found any where in this section of the country.

The completion of the Bledsoe building marks one more progressive step in the affairs of the J. T. Bledsoe company, of which J. T. Bledsoe and W. T. Robinson are owners. In addition to the larger holdings of this company such as the new $100,000 building they have also developed Gracelynn, Lucerne Park, a short distance from the new building is three years old and to date has been sold 60 per cent. Beautiful Broadview Park, two miles east of Biltmore is also owned by the Bledsoe company. In addition to extensive Beaver Lake interests this company also owns the Elk Mountain Orcards, consisting of 16,000 trees. The completion of the Bledsoe building is quite a fitting culmination of 23 years in the active real estate field.

The building is located at the junction of Sand Hill road, Vermont, Mildred and Haywood road. It runs east and west standing back 12 feet from the sidewalk with four marquees fronting on Haywood the structure is quite an addition to the community of West Asheville. It also presents the only "white way" in that section of the city. Located only one block from the carline it is according to the census report in the center of population of West Asheville.

Mr. Bledsoe, of the J. T. Bledsoe company, has shown his faith in the future development of this part of the city in very concrete form. Figures and facts, however, admirably bear out his assertion that in West Asheville is to be found a large portion of this sections future growth. The opening of the Bledsoe building today will recall to "old timers" that there was little if any West Asheville 23 years ago. Today West Asheville can boost a population of 15,000 people and bears the added distinction of having grown more in the past three years than any city in North Carolina. Mr. Bledsoe stated that in his opinion the population should double in five years. The new Bledsoe building will help materially in the present as well as future growth of this part of the city.

At present there are two stores in the Bledsoe Building. The Carolina Power and Light Company have opened a large West Asheville branch and H. Pumpford and Son, plumbing and hardware have established a modern plumbing store in an opposite wing. Mr. J. T. Bledsoe stated Friday that he is about to close leases on three more stores which will be announced at an early date. D. W. Smith Realty Co., are Bledsoe and Company's agents, representing them in the new building.

Only the best of material was used in the Bledsoe building. A total of 800,000 brick was used, and every wall is constructed of 13 inches of solid brick and stone. Every fourth wall has a 17 inch fire wall. A beautiful porch runs in the rear of the structure with three stairways leading to the street. The roof is finished in Barrett roofing specification.

There are eight large and spacious stores, seven fronting directly on Haywood street, while one is on Mildred Ave. There are 47 rooms on the second floor among which are office spaces as well as well planned apartments. Provision has been made for a hotel plan as 22 of these rooms work into one section of the building with communicating hall ways. Complete skylight and ventilating is carried out all over the building. The bath rooms are all of tile with the most modern of accessories. Four wide stair ways lead to the front of the building and three to the rear.

A fact possibly not arrived at by the average laymen is that if this new Bledsoe Building were picked up and stood on its side it would be 18 stories high, taller in fact than either the Jackson building or the Flatiron building.

The heating of this large building is the most up to date available. The stores are heated with a train unit electric heating system. An electric heater and motor provides uniform heat for every part of each store. No cold corners are possible under this new system. The central heating unit was installed by the Kindler Heating and Plumbing Co., of this city and is provided with an extra tall chimney thus affording a guarantee of cleanliness insofar as smoke and soot is concerned for that part of West Asheville. The chimney itself is 70 feet in height.

Sash and door furnishings were provided by L. A. Trumbo and Son, of Biltmore. Paints and varnishes were supplied by Palmer and Lipe Co., 82 Patton Avenue. Electrical supplies by Marian B. Hayes. Steel and beams by Sternberg and Co., of Asheville; inside trimmings by the Biltmore Lumber Co. The Carr Lumber Co., located at Mt. Pisgah N. C., supplied the beautiful hardwood floors; sand and materials by George Henderson; stone by Asheville Construction Co.

The large heating plant to the rear of the building was sold from the Kindler plumbing and heating company and is one of the largest of its kind. Polk Plumbing Co., installed the plumbing job. Brick and materials from W. H. Westall. W. H. Arthur Company, local manufacturers and contractors furnished approximately 130 squares of metal roofing together with 130 squares of metal ceiling for the new Bledsoe Building. In addition to this, several skylights furnishing remarkable ventilation were installed and manufactured by this local concern. The four marquees for the 8 large store fronts were also placed and made by W. H. Arthur Co. The skylights, as personal inspection will bear out, present unusually fine ventilation and light, so that there is no part of the big building that is not cared for in this respect. The "white way" which, incidentally is the only one in West Asheville is set to a fine degree by these large marquees.

Another Pretentious Structure For West Asheville

Bledsoe Building, West Asheville's latest structure, will have its formal opening today from 10 o'clock to 6 o'clock and the public is cordially invited to inspect this modern and complete new edifice.

LINDLEY HOME HAS STRANGE BIRTH

Old Letter Found by Mrs. T. S. Morrison Tells of Birth in Africa of the Woman Who Later Founded the Asheville Institution

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IN THE settlement of the estate of the late T. S. Morrison there has been found an old letter, written in 1836 from Kuruman, Africa, telling of the birth of Mrs. Clarence Mitchell, a much loved citizen of Asheville, who was instrumental in the success of many of the charities of the city, and who was directly responsible for the founding of the Lindley Home for Girls, in West Asheville.

Mrs. Mitchell, who died several years ago, was the daughter of a missionary who labored for many years in Africa. About 1835 her father and mother left America with a party of missionaries for the interior and en route, when they were halted by the dry season, when vegetation was scarce and many of the oxen pulling their caravan were lost, there was born the little girl who later made her home in Asheville.

Another missionary in the party, A. E. Wilson, wrote a description of the trip to the interior to Dr. W. N. Morrison, father of T. S. Morrison and this letter was found by Mrs. T. S. Morrison. It tells of the birth of the woman who did so much toward civic organization, and it was due to Mrs. Mitchell's kindness that the Lindley home was made possible.

According to the letter, which was written almost a hundred years ago, the party of missionaries continued on to the interior, the mission was established and with it the first boarding school for Zulu girls in Natal. This school, which is still maintained by the Woman's Board of Missions, is located at Inanda, and after naming the home for her father, Mrs. Mitchell named the township southwest of Asheville in which it is located Inanda, for the school in Africa.

THE LETTER which is being sent by Mrs. Morrison to the collection of historical material of the Presbyterian church at Montreat, tells an interesting story of a trip through Africa in 1836.

"Kuruman, January 13, 1836

"My dear Bro. Morrison:

"Your kind favor dated June 15 was received Dec. 27. I do thank you very much for it. It is indeed pleasant to receive letters from our dear native land. I thank you for the news you gave about things at home, state of the church, etc. I was glad to hear that you had been licensed and that you were preaching the Gospel of peace to our dying fellow men. May the hand of God be with you. The privilege of preaching salvation through Jesus Christ appears doubly precious now as my mouth is closed by the strange languages around me.

"Through the colony the Dutch language is spoken. Here there is some Dutch but the Lichuan is the language of the people. The Matabilla, the proper name of the people to whom we are going, speak a different language. At Griqua town we found a man who knew the language of the Matabilla. By his assistance we formed a vocabulary containing about 1700 words.

"I suppose you will be surprised that we have not before this reached our place of destination. Our detention has been owing to circumstances beyond our control. Travelling in Africa is performed in strong wagons, somewhat like our market wagons, drawn by oxen. Belonging to our company there were four wagons, one for each family and a pack wagon. Each of our wagons was drawn by twelve, sometimes ten oxen. Our average rate of travelling was about 15 miles a day. It took us about two months to travel between Cape Town and Griqua Town, a distance of 600 miles.

"When we arrived at Griqua Town our oxen were unable to proceed farther. On that account we were obliged to wait until our oxen would recuperate. As it was then the beginning of winter, when vegetation was dead, a good many of our oxen died and the rest were not fit for

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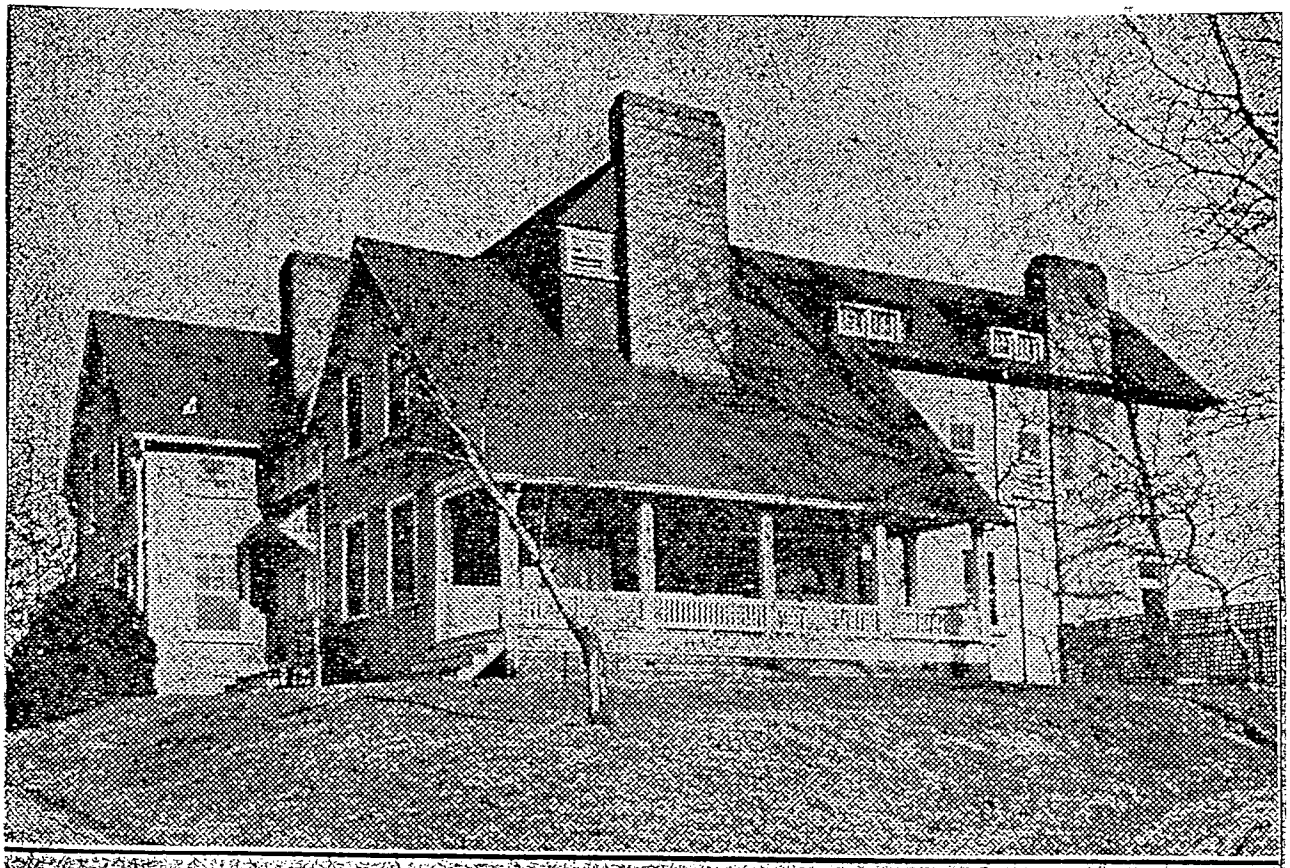

Lindley Home in West Asheville.

and only one carriage following in which two women of ill repute and the Rev. Dr. G. C. Rankin, pastor of Central Methodist church, were seated. Some days later a friend of the minister expressed surprise at his being at the funeral, but the reply of Dr. Rankin was typical of the man: "The two sinning women had no one else to go to the grave of their dead companion with them and I obeyed the call of Him who was found in the company of a sinful woman when her accusers had all left one by one."

After returning from the funeral Dr. Rankin approached Captain W. T. W. Patton and suggested that they and their wives make a visit to the house from which the procession had started, as he felt that the time had come to appeal to the better nature of the girls. Next day Mrs. Rankin, being sick, requested that her neighbor, Mrs. Clarence Mitchell, who had recently moved to Asheville accompany Dr. Rankin and Mr. Patton. The day after four of the girls called upon Mrs. Mitchell, expressing a desire to begin a new life.

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IT WAS not so easy as it seemed. Where could the girls find homes? There was no place to send them. The situation so impressed itself upon Mrs. Mitchell that she at once offered these girls a refuge in her own home and there kept them until she could provide other homes for them.

Mrs. Mitchell determined to provide a home to which girls might go and receive wise guidance and care, could be protected, taught to make an honest living, and be taught something of religion. She gathered around her some of the other women of the community who were in sympathy with her efforts and from this organization there developed the Lindley School which was chartered by the Legislature of North Carolina in 1893.

Through donations from friends in this community and elsewhere the

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usa until about two months ago. Then family impediments were in the way of our proceeding. On the 10th of October Mrs. Lindley was delivered of a fine daughter. As soon as we could leave her Mr. Venable and myself came on to this place with our families. In about a week Brothers Lindley and Venable will, if Providence permits, set off for Mosilikatz's residence, which is at a place called Moseka, distant about 200 miles to the N. E. of this place I shall not be able to accompany them on account of the situation of my family and also as it is not necessary that we should all go at the present. The object of their going is to see Mosilikatz and obtain his approbation to our residing in his country and also to put up something of the house kind for the reception of our families, as soon as they shall return we will all go in taking with us our families. With those missionary stations which we have visited I am quite pleased.

AT GRIGUA TOWN, where we wintered the church consists of upward of a hundred members. There are flourishing day schools. The station here is also doing well. A press in operation from which has issued a translation of the sacred scriptures in part, catechisms, school books, etc. We have prepared lessons in the language of the Matabila sufficient to teach quite a number of children which has also been printed by the kindness of the brethren at their press. So that we can commence teaching the pupils as soon as we are settled among them.

"Thus far, dear Brother, you see that the Lord hath prospered our way, though if we shall be spared to go to our place of destination we expect to encounter difficulties. The system of Mosilikatz is in conflict with the holy religion of Jesus Christ. Satan will not quit his stronghold without strong resistance. Our dear brethren who were appointed to Dingaan's county are still in the colony. Their path has been obstructed by difficulties not anticipated when we left America. It is uncertain whether they will be able to gain a footing with Dingaan. This field of labor is one of great importance. Dingaan is the most powerful chief in South Africa. He is a proud haughty man. An English missionary went to settle with him about the time of our arrival at Cape Town. He refused to let him reach his people. If the brethren fall with him they will follow him to Mosilikatz. If such shall be the wish of Providence we shall more cordially welcome them for they are worthy of our highest respect.

"I suppose you wish to know what I think of Africa. I have no room or time to give you a correct idea of it. It is very different from our happy land. Brother Lindley frequently compares it to an immense old field. As to timber, the comparison is pretty good. Our American forests would be a wonder in this part of Africa. I have been frequently led to make the remark that on Africa the curse of God seems to rest with peculiar force. The country is generally covered with bushes, almost every one of which is on the thorns. You can scarcely take hold of a twig but that you have your hands pricked. It is thinly inhabited. The people suffer much from hunger. It is a land of drought, abounding in deserts. Africa is rich in animals. Between this and the Mosilikatz county, the country is principally uninhabited. It abounds in wild animals such as the lion, rhinoceros, elephant and sea cows, camel, and leopard, an animal of great size.

"It is necessary when traveling in this country to go well armed for the double purpose of self defense from the wild animals and of obtaining food. The elephant hunters when they go into the interior for ivory, depend entirely on game. However, as yet we have been well supplied with mutton and beef.

"Long ere this, I suppose you are happily united with her who is your dearest friend. May the Lord abundantly bless you both and make you blessed to each other. Jane joins me in love to you both.

"Yours truly,

"A. E. WILSON."

[illegible] born in Africa, grew to womanhood, returned to America, and after she was married, came to Asheville where for many years she was active in every social movement for the city.

The story of the founding of Lindley Home by Mrs. Mitchell is told by Haywood Parker, whose mother-in-law, Mrs. Thomas Patton, was one of the first women to join her in the work.

It started one day thirty-six years ago, when a funeral procession was seen crossing the principal streets of Asheville. It consisted of a hearse

association purchased a tract of 127 acres, about five miles from Asheville near Inanda and erected thereon a comfortable building of twenty rooms, and for years this was a home for such girls as desired a new chance in life.

For many years Mrs. Mitchell was a leading spirit in the management of the institution. After her departure from Asheville the late Mrs. M. E. Hillard was made president and for many years, until her death, she gave service to the institution.

Mrs. Hillard was surrounded by a board of interested women, many of whom are now dead, but one of whom, Mrs. T. W. Patton, is still in Asheville. Among the members were Mrs. A. E. Pease, Mrs. A. A. Lord, Mrs. J. M. Campbell.

FROM: *The Power of Femininity in the New South*, by Anastatia Sims
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"Asheville women, led by Mrs. A.E. Pease, launched the most extensive effort to reform prostitutes in North Carolina. Pease, Superintendent of Social Purity for the local WCTU, visited 'women whose lives are notoriously immoral' and tried to persuade them to forsake their 'evil ways'. In the early 1890s, she and others members of the local WCTU investigated the possibility of establishing a halfway house for prostitutes. Although the union decided to abandon the plan when women learned that similar homes elsewhere had been unsuccessful, one woman—perhaps Pease herself—refused to give up and continued raising money.

In 1893 Pease reported that women of Asheville, acting independently of the WCTU, had accumulated enough money to start an industrial school for prostitutes where they could prepare for jobs as domestic servants; however, they still needed money to pay for furnishings and operating expenses. The Lindley Training School opened in 1897. Seven members of its board of managers were also affiliated with the WCTU; Pease was the board's vice-president. The school housed between 15 and 20 women and their children. In 1900 the board of managers reported that in the preceeding year a total of 39 women had lived at Lindley. Of these, 6 had returned to their homes, 9 had found jobs as domestic servants, one had married, and 2 had been sent away to school. 18 women and 8 children were currently in residence. By 1912 the school had expanded to accommodate 51 women and their off-spring.

By 1916 the Lindley Training School had been transformed form a halfway house for prostitutes into a home for unwed mothers. Eight years later the school closed its doors, and the city of Asheville bought the property to use as a correctional facility for delinquent girls."

Lillian Exum Clement Stafford

by Sandi Tomlin-Sutker

" I know that years from now there will be many other women in politics, but you have to start a thing."

Can you imagine what it was like to not have the right to vote? To be at the mercy, really, of men in power whom you had not chosen—and could not get rid of? Lillian Exum Clement lived in such a world.

Yet her energy, tenacity, intelligence and dedication led to her being chosen, by the men of the Democratic party in Buncombe County, as the first woman candidate for the North Carolina legislature—just before women won the right to vote with the 19th amendment in 1920, after only 72 years of agitation and lobbying. She handily won the primary, winning her seat at the age of 26 (10,368 to 41 votes for the male candidate who ran as an Independent)—the Republican opponent withdrew before the election.

Miss Clement (in the vernacular of her day) was the first woman to be elected to a state legislature in the South; she was also one of the first women lawyers (known as L. Exum Clement and even called 'Brother Exum' by some of her peers) in North Carolina—the first to have her own practice without male partners, and she was a criminal lawyer to boot! Like so many women today, she was, in many ways, a superwoman: unable to attend university, she studied law at night, tutored by two local attorneys, while she worked days in the sheriff's office (she began working there at age 14). Still, she passed the bar exam, in 1916, with one of the highest grades at the time. She also helped found the local chapter of the Business and Professional Women's organization and served as chief clerk of the draft exemption board.

1919 and 1920 were tumultuous times for women in politics. The woman suffrage movement was in full swing and state after state was faced with the decision whether to ratify the 19th amendment. Apparently the floodgates were going to open anyway, and the Democrats of Buncombe County chose to go with the flow rather than oppose it. An editorial in the Asheville Times on October 7, 1920 had an interesting take on the prevailing attitude: "...of course the women are going to vote, whatever their present intentions are...[and] the majority of the majority party will be larger than ever before." In order to win the new, and potentially very large, female constituency over to the party, the editor advised the Democrats to "point out what conditions prevailed when the Republicans were last entrusted with the state government. It should be no dry lecture, but a pleasing and informing talk—women do not need to have things hammered into their brains—a hint will accomplish much."

Perhaps the only goal the party elite had in proposing L. Exum Clement as their candidate was to gain the votes of the newly enfranchised women for their party. But what they, and the state of North Carolina, got was a woman who, in her own words was "...by nature, very conservative, but I am firm in my convictions. I want to blaze a trail for other women. I know that years from now there will be many other women in politics, but you have to start a thing."

And she started many things: her first bill called for private voting booths and a secret ballot. Even her own party deserted her on this, lamenting that "politicians would lose direct contact with their voters under this method." An Asheville Times editorial pointed out, with some irony, that "a man could not buy votes if he could

not see to their delivery." Opponents crushed the bill initially, but it passed later when she reintroduced it as "the only democratic way"; today we take it for granted that privacy and secrecy are necessary for honest and fair elections.

As a woman, Lillian Exum Clement had interests and concerns that perhaps the men of her day were unaware of, or considered unimportant. One of these concerns resulted in the Pure Milk Bill, calling for tuberculin testing of dairy cows and sanitary dairy barns. A second, and more controversial, was the divorce bill she proposed that reduced from 10 years to 5 years the time a woman had to wait after being abandoned by her husband before she could sue for divorce. (Imagine a 30-year-old woman of that era languishing for 10 years before she could divorce and possibly remarry!) But the most contentious issue Exum Clement proposed concerned her long-held dream that the Lindley Training School, a home for "unwed mothers and delinquent girls", would become a state-supported institution. At a rally in Asheville regarding this difficult problem, she was shocked when rotten eggs and vegetables were thrown at her and some people accused her of "contributing to the delinquency of girls." Yet, in her calm, determined way, she brushed off her clothes, quoted the Bible concerning those who cast stones and persisted until she achieved her dream.

In all, she introduced 17 bills in the General Assembly—16 of them became law. And she accomplished all this in only one term; she married her fiancé Elias Eller Stafford and did not run for election for a second term. She did not retire from public life, however, continuing as secretary of the Business and Professional Women's group and as a director of the State Hospital in Morganton. In 1923 she gave birth, prematurely, to a daughter, Nancy, the first incubator baby in the state. Sadly her health deteriorated, and Lillian Exum Clement Stafford died of pneumonia in 1925.

Her only child, now Stafford Anders, still lives in Asheville. Stafford recently related a story to me that illustrates her mother's true nature: a woman willing to do much more than talk about her beliefs. From her office window on Pack Square, Lillian noticed a young woman sitting on a bench for a couple of days. Concerned, she went down to ask if she could help and learned that the young woman, employed as a maid for a local family, had been seduced by the son, became pregnant and was kicked out by that family and her own. In Stafford's words "Mother brought her home; she gave birth to a daughter and after I was born and Mother was still sick, the young woman became my wet nurse."

You may have noticed the historical marker at the corner of Charlotte and College Streets near City-County Plaza. It was little more than a dry, impersonal piece of history to me before—after talking with Stafford, however, Lillian Exum Clement has come alive for me. She was a pioneer in her strong, unassuming way; she accomplished a lot in her short life, leaving an example for other women to follow. Since 1925 there has always been at least one woman serving in the House or Senate in North Carolina—today there are 35, still a small percentage, but one that continues to grow. In Western North Carolina many dedicated women have followed Lillian's example: Francis Ramsey, Mary Nesbitt, Marie Colton, and Wilma Sherrill to name a few. This year we have further opportunities to elect strong women candidates: Patsy Keever and Susan Fisher are each profiled in this issue, also see the sidebar regarding Lillian's List.

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ERECT MODERN PLAYHOUSE ON HAYWOOD ROAD

Will Be Ready For Use June First Bledsoe Announces

PLANS INCLUDE OTHER BUILDINGS

Bamford Lease Has Renewal Clause After Five Years

Construction of a vaudeville and motion picture theater on Haywood Road, in West Asheville, was announced yesterday by J. T. Bledsoe, well known realtor and developer.

The theater building has been leased to Carl Bamford, operator of Majestic and Princess theaters, for five years. The lease-contract has a renewal clause of an additional five years, it was announced.

The amusement house will be erected on the Bledsoe lot, adjacent to the corner lot of Haywood Road and Mildred Avenue. It will front 84 feet on Haywood with depth of 100 feet. The seating capacity will be 850.

Fireproof

The building will be entirely fire-proof, the heating plant being separated from the main building. There will be no basement to the structure, the floor resting on wooden sills laid on steel imbedded in concrete.

Construction will start immediately, and the theater will be ready for opening sometime between June 1 and 15, Mr. Bledsoe announced yesterday.

The corner lot of Haywood Road and Mildred Road has been leased by Mr. Bledsoe to the Texas Oil Company for ten years. A filling station will be erected on the property by the owner.

Immediately to the rear of the filling station, on Mildred Avenue, Mr. Bledsoe has leased the garage building for five years.

The Bledsoe building on the opposite corner of the Haywood and Mildred is being finished. Most of the store places have been rented, while negotiations are pending for the others.

Other Structures

On Mildred Avenue, Mr. Bledsoe is building two residences for J. H. Nicholson at aggregate cost of $8,000. The development of this section is the result of Mr. Bledsoe's faith in West Asheville.

Recent announcements by the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, and the Carolina Power and Light Company that approximately $300,000 will be spent in expanding their West Asheville services have been a boon to business in that section. The light company has rented space in the Bledsoe building for its temporary West Asheville office.

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Bruce Emory Research

4 PERSONS HURT IN 3 AUTOMOBILE MISHAPS IN CITY

Mrs Lowe Wright's Back Broken; Blankenship Child Injured

Four persons were injured, more or less seriously, in three accidents in the city yesterday.

The injured are:

Mrs. Lowe Wright, broken back.

Her son, Edward, lacerations of the face.

Lelar Blankenship, broken leg.

Thomas Bartley, concussion of the brain.

All the victims were taken to the French Broad hospital.

Mrs. Lowe Wright, of 133 State street, West Asheville, and her son, Edward, 5, were hurt yesterday afternoon when they were struck by an automobile driven by A. L. Sams, printer, near the intersection of Haywood Road and Allen street. Three other children were with Mrs. Wright, but they escaped injury by stepping aside as the car crashed into the family group.

Dr. J. G. Anderson, of the French Broad hospital, said last night that although Mrs. Wright suffered a fracture of the spine, her condition is favorable and she will very likely get well. Her son, Edward, is only slightly hurt, and his condition is improving, he said.

Sams told the police who investigated the accident that he ran into the group while trying to avoid hitting another automobile. He is being held under $2,000 bond pending the outcome of the injuries to Mrs. Wright and her son.

Sams is said to have been driving east on Haywood Road and another car, driven by Mrs. M. C. Garner, was going west on the same road. At the intersection with Allen street the Garner automobile stopped as though to turn into Allen street. Sams said that just as he thought the Garner car had stopped to let him cross Allen street before turning, it started up again and as he attempted to avoid a collision his car ran into Mrs. Wright and her children. He failed to see them crossing the street until it was too late to avoid hitting them.

7-Year-Old Child Hit

Lelar Blankenship, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Blankenship, 251 Waynesville avenue, West Asheville, suffered a broken leg as a result of an accident yesterday afternoon when she was struck by an automobile driven by Policeman A. B. Cole as she was crossing the street in front of her home. She was taken to the French Broad hospital where her condition was reported last night to be good.

Police who investigated the accident said that the bumper of the car driven by Cole struck the little girl, but knocked her beneath the engine so that the wheels did not run over her. Cole said he failed to see the child because she was hidden by the dense shrubbery until she reached the street. The officer immediately stopped his car and carried the girl to the hospital.

Policeman Cole and Sam Barnett, of the Dixie Bonding company, at the time of the accident, were returning from Greenville, Tenn., where they had taken a federal prisoner. Police made no arrest as the accident was considered unavoidable. Chief W. R. Messer conducted the investigation.

Thomas Bartley, 21, of Albemarle Park, is suffering from concussion of the brain at the French Broad hospital following injuries he received yesterday afternoon about 1:45 o'clock when a street car and an automobile collided on Biltmore avenue, about 100 yards north of the intersection with Southside avenue. Hospital attaches said last night that his condition is fairly good and that he received no fractures.

Bartley and Miss Pauline Liberett were in the automobile, which collided with the street car as a result of a skid on the pavement made slick by a slight snowfall. Miss Liberett received only slight injuries and was not taken to the hospital. No arrest was made, the accident considered unavoidable.

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WILL SPEND $250,000 FOR NEW BUILDINGS AT BINGHAM SCHOOL

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On the site overlooking the French Broad river, where Bingham Military school has stood for 37 years, a beautiful new group of school buildings will be erected in the near future, Col. S. R. McKee, headmaster of the 135-year-old institution, told The Times Friday. The new group will be of Gothic architecture, built along old citadel lines, and when completed will involve an expenditure of approximatey $250,000.

Plans for the new school were outlined by Col. McKee Thursday afternoon to faculty and students, as the school was completing its year. The plans are still in a formative stage. One architect has submitted sketches of a beautiful group which represents fairly closely, Mr. McKee said, the ultimate project. The plans have not been finished however, and it is probable that other architects will be called into consultation before a final decision is made.

At the same time Col. McKee and his son, Maj. Bingham McKee, assistant headmaster, announced that because of work on the new buildings, the enrollment of the school would have to be decreased during the next school year to about half its usual capacity.

Every effort was made to keep the school running during the change and to accommodate as many students as possible. On Thursday, Maj. McKee told the students of the new plan. At the same time he handed out applications for those intending to return next fall. Approximately 40 of the students signed applications, Maj. McKee said. In addition, approximately twenty applications from new students will be accepted for the coming year bringing the total enrollment to from 55 to 60. This year Bingham had more than a hundred students.

Since the dormitories will be the first buildings to be replaced in the new program, it was explained, it was necessary to cut the enrollment for the fall. Eventually, the plans will provide a plant which will take care of an enrollment of 250 students.

Because of the decreased number of students to be accommodated at the school, the headmaster announced the cancellation of the football program for next fall. He explained the school would not be in a position to meet the engagements but that football would be resumed in the fall of 1929, when it is believed, the major part of the work will be complete.

The tentative plans of the new group provides a quadrangle, surrounded by gothic buildings, with a tower, gates and cloisters. The plan has been declared one of the most beautiful pieces of school architecture in the country by those who have inspected it.

Col. McKee is the fifth headmaster of the famous school which was founded in 1793 in Wilmington. He became headmaster more than a year ago at the time of the death of Col. Robert Bingham. The school was established in Wilmington, was moved to Pittsboro, Hillsboro, Mt. Repose and finally to Mebane. After a second disastrous fire at Mebane in 1890 it was moved to Asheville.

The school as it now stands cost approximately $80,000.

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Graduating Exercises

Asheville High School

Friday, June 8th, 1928
8:30 P. M.

City Auditorium

Program

1. Orchestra

   a. Prelude in C sharp minor ..... *Rachmaninoff*

   b. Prelude from L'Arlesienne Suite ..... *Bizet*

   c. March from "Athalia" ..... *Mendelssohn*

2. Invocation ..... Rev. P. N. Gresham

3. Salutatory { David Millard ..... Margaret Harrell
   Hall Fletcher ..... Ralph Greenwood

4. Valedictory { Hall Fletcher ..... Margaret Doe
   David Millard ..... Eileen Stikeleather

5. Introduction of Speaker ..... Mayor Gallatin Roberts

6. Address ..... Dr. Francis P. Gaines
   (President Wake Forest College)

7. Presentation of Awards ..... Mr. Lee H. Edwards
   (Principal of David Millard High School)

   Presentation of Awards ..... Mr. George A. Hartrick
   (Principal of Hall Fletcher High School)

8. Presentation of Diplomas ..... Mr. W. L. Brooker
   (Superintendent of Schools)

My class

Graduates Asheville High School
1927-28

Fredrica Elizabeth Allison
Joe Edith Anders
Edna Ashburn
Elizabeth Greene Auld
Clara Louise Babcox
Marcella Anna Bach
Juanita Bailey
Sada Bartlett
Katherine Louise Baugham
Mary Maxine Beaver
Daisy Anne Bishop
Mary Louise Bishop
Evelyn Wenonah Black
Frances Louise Brackett
Katharine Barbara Brandl
Katherine Ruth Brian
Mary Lucille Brookshire
Bonnie Lou Brown
Ida Baron Brown
Ruby Lucille Bryson
Nannie Kelly Burgin
Katherine Harrison Burgess
Martha Sue Buttrick
Margaret Elizabeth Byerly
Norma Claudia Byerly
Mary Callahan
Emma Lucille Capps
Jean C. Casey
Violet Maybelle Chandler
Sarah Nancy Cooke
Mary Elmira Corn
Elizabeth Wilma Corne
Mary Elizabeth Cowan
Lydia Fairfield Crego
Lillian Montana Crompton
Katherine Crowe
Ruth Elizabeth Curtiss
Amelia Alice Dickens
Mary Emily Dienes
Margaret Florence Doe
Elizabeth Henrietta Earley
Elizabeth Muriel Eller
Katharyne Eller
Leah J. English
Ruth Virginia Eva
Martha Evans
Hilda Finkelstein
Katherine Elizabeth Flury
Dorothy Alma Fortune
Clara Marie Franklin

Mae Elizabeth Freeman
Louise Freeman
Elliott Kristine Gaither
Mary Lee Gash
Mary Nell Hall
Oveida Margaret Hammond
Pearl Savannah Hampton
Emmalyn Louise Hanner
Margaret Gertrude Harrell
Bertha Sue Harrison
Laura Ruth Henderson
Willie Adelaide Henderson
Mary Louise Hendley
Dorothy Hendon
Carolyn Henry
Annette Lucile Hill
Mary Harris Hubbard
Emily Lucile Hunter
Florence Dorothy Jacokes
Mildred Virginia Johnson
Lillian Kathryn Jones
Mary Aileen Jones
Mildred Dixon Jones
Marion Zelma Kahn
Mary Lee Kennerly
Katherine V. Kimmell
Agnes Kooles
Sarah Adelaide Knox
Mildred Catherine Kuykendall
Mildred Dorothy Lasater
Kathleen Lashley
Eleanor Lawrence
Flora Mae Linkous
Margaret Evelyn Linkous
Sarah Elizabeth Lipe
Betty Warren Love
Thelma Virginia McCartt
Margaret Cheunalt McCorkle
Virginia McCormick
Martha Thelma McFee
Frances McKenzie
Grace Leslie McKenzie
Edna Mae McMinn
Louise Virginia McNabb
Katherine Semple McNeely
Evelyn Lucille Maney
Emily Myrtle Martindale
Cecilia Elizabeth Mayo
Clara Alda Michael

Catherine Miller
Mary Marguerite Mills
Florence Inez Mitchell
Hallie Belle Mitchell
Mildred Elwynne Moore
Nancy Elizabeth Morison
Bernice Kathleen Moss
Frances Lenora Orr
Sara Elizabeth Ownbey
Phyllis Jeannette Padgett
Elma Camilla Parham
Narma Theo Pittillo
Rebecca Louise Patton
Nemo Gertrude Payne
Blanche Lovell Penland
Betsy Marshall Perrow
Lucille Merle Powell
E. Faye Praytor
Evelyn Pumford
Alta Leslie Ramsey
Mabel Lucile Rickman
Mary Aileen Rhodes
Lottie Martha Rhoades
Evelyn Rogers
Edith Lllian Rorke
Flonnie Lee Sofley
Virginia Jeanne Solary
Loleeta Smith
Margaret Wells Spivey
Alma Lucille Starkey
Julia Ray Stelling
Eileen Caldwell Stikeleather
Mary Frances Tech
Katherine Allen Thompson
Phoebe Cary Turbeville
Talulah Susan Walker
Elizabeth Hughes Ward
Margaret Lancaster Waterman
Dorothy Weatherly
Sallie Janet Weir
Margaret Louise Whitener
Mary Katherine Whiteside
Ellen Louise Williams
Edith Adele Wilson
Eva Francine Wray
Katherine Louise Wright
Barbara Louise Younginer
Harriet Elizabeth Zurburg

William Rhodes Ballard
William M. Benzing, Jr.
D. Eric Bradshaw
Elwin Douglas Braly
Joe R. Branch
Lofton P. Brooker
John Julian Booth Brooks
Harley Gaskill Brookshire, II
Dean Huntley Brownell
Martin Leonard Burke
William Turner Buttrick, Jr.
John Douglas Calfee
James Henderson Cherry
George Baxter Coston
Zebulon Frazier Curtis, Jr.
Ralph W. Davis
William Harris Davis, Jr.
F. M. Dowell, Jr.
Claude Morris Drake
William P. Drew, Jr.
John Coffee Dyas
Herbert Alexander Ellis, Jr.
Robert H. Engleman
William Collins Estes
James Frederick Evans
Charles Bernhardt Fisher
Thomas Nelson Fortson
Norman Edward Ford
William Carlton Garren

Cassius Fulton Glenn
Sidney William Gottlieb
Charles Green
Ralph Haynes Greenwood
S. Dennis Hall
Warren Esterly Hall, Jr.
Paul E. Hampton
Loren Rheume Harding
James Arthur Henderson
Windham Woods Hewitt
Frank Carver Hill
William Carey Hodges
Byron Jay Hoffman
Harry Collins Holcombe
William Hummel
Wofford Forrest Humphries
John Emil Hunter
Frank Thomas Jarrett
Nelson T. Jarrett
Walter Edward Johnson
John E. Jones
Arthur Waldo Jarvis
Earl Thurston Kane
Heflin Keeling
Ransom King
Frederick Carville Krauss
George Arthur Kiser
Weldon James Kyle
Harold Porter Lee Langford

Oscar Wayne Lisenbee
Sanford Foster McGill, Jr.
D. Bieman McKenzie
Millender Maxwell Matthews
Charles Waverly Miller
Marshall Smith Misenheimer, Jr.
Charles Wesley Morgan
Ted Mull
Roy M. Needham
Joseph Finley Owens
William Panick
Jack Martin Peterson
George Raymond Plemmons
Wendell Leroy Prunty
William Cathey Reeves
William Cecil Robinson
Charles George Rowland
Carl Sawyer
Gottfried Krueger Smith
James Smith
Frederick Walker Smyre
James Gudger Stikeleather, Jr.
James Suddeth
Thomas Russell Taylor, Jr.
Udo Oscar Thran
Arthur Fulkerson Toole, Jr.
Charles Randolph Trumbo
Oren Leonidas Whitehead
Henry Whiteside
Franklin R. Williamson

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WEST ASHEVILLE TO HONOR MAYOR

HUGE PIGNIC IS PLANNED FOR FOURTH OF JULY

Thousands Will Gather In Rhododerdron Park For Celebration

MAYOR ROBERTS PLANNED PARK

Civic Organizations And Churches Will Combine In Big Event

One of the major celebrations to be held in Asheville Wednesday, July 4, will be the picnic lunch and recreational program at Rhododendron Park in West Asheville, which will be given by the citizens of West Asheville in honor of Mayor Gallatin Roberts. Rhododendron Park, formerly known as the Ryerson tract, is within the city limits of West Asheville at the entrance of the Brevard road.

The parade to the park will begin at various street points in West Asheville at 10:20 Wednesday morning and will terminate in the heart of the park on the French Broad river, where a gigantic picnic spread will be prepared by the women of West Asheville. It was announced yesterday that a great many firms are entering into the spirit of the affair and are contributing toward the picnic luncheon.

All of the churches, civic organizations and practically every citizen of West Asheville is at work making preparations for one of the largest gatherings ever held in this section on the Fourth of July. It will be an occasion for family reunions, musical programs, games and other forms of amusement and good fellowship, officials of the event have announced.

Mrs. Horace Wells is general chairman of the Rhododendron Park picnic and she has urged that all persons who are planning to attend the picnic call her at telephone number 5775-J, in order that she may register the participants and make arrangements accordingly. Since several thousand persons are expected to attend the picnic, Mrs. Wells said that she is anxious to complete the organization and make all arrangements for the picnic luncheon.

Mrs. Wells is being assisted in the preliminary work by the following committee members: Mrs. W. S. McRary, Mrs. George Osborne, Mrs. Lon Barrett, Mrs. Hugh Sowers, Mrs. Frank VanValkenberg, Don C. Young, M. W. Hamrick, W. S. Johnson, Dave Jarrett, Hugh Sowers, J. R. Teague, Horace Wells, Rev. P. N. Gresham, Rev. Mr. Black, Rev. J. B. Grice, Rev. Robert Self, Carlisle Miller, C. A. Choate, J. O. Barrett, John Jones, H. B. Posey and others.

The forming of a mountain garden and rhododendron park of the old Ryerson tract of land, which is owned by the city, has for a long time been one of the principal ambitions of Mayor Roberts in connection with his hopes for the future of Asheville and for this reason the residents of West Asheville have planned this, the first gathering in the park, in honor of the Mayor.

All persons interested in the development of the park as one of the beauty spots of North Carolina have been invited to participate in the picnic festivities. All families have been asked to contribute baskets of food toward the success of the luncheon and to join fully in the spirit of the event. It will be an old-fashioned picnic and the citizens of West Asheville have determined to make it an event of great consequence in the city. It is the hope of the originators that this picnic will set a spectacular precedent for the coming years and that it will be an annual event of importance in Western North Carolina.

All city officials, their friends and families have been invited and are excepted to attend as honor guests. West Asheville citizens have invited the residents of Asheville proper to attend the picnic and dine with them as neighbors in honor of Mayor Roberts and the inauguration of events in Rhododendron Park.

The unior Optimist band will furnish music during the luncheon and following the picnic spread there will be baseball games, fishing, motoring and hiking parties over the tract and surrounding territory. All persons, who will be unable to remain for the program following the picnic have been assured by officials that they may leave after the picnic if necessary.

Other Independence Day features in Asheville of the recreational sort will be as follows: Baseball games between Asheville and Knoxville at McCormick Field at 10:30 o'clock in the morning and 4 o'clock in the afternoon; 26 rounds of fighting at the Kenilworth Hippodrome; and special events at Rhododendron

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7/23/1928

Odd Fellows Rank High in Historic And Social Influence in Asheville

By CONN BRYAN

Second among Asheville secret organizations both in age and in point of membership is the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, founded here in 1856 and now including more than 500 persons among its followers.

Odd Fellows in Buncombe county are divided into five separate and distinct lodges, unaffiliated as to organization but united in sentiment and creed.

Swannanoa lodge, 56, was organized in February, 1856, and reorganized in March, 1889; French Broad lodge, 172, at Biltmore, was organized in December, 1894; Sulphur Springs lodge, 186, at West Asheville, in July, 1896; Blue Ridge lodge, 205, in Asheville, in January, 1900; and Hamburg lodge, 235, at Weaverville, in July, 1903.

D. S. Hildebrand, of Chunn's Cove, is the only living charter member of the Swannanoa lodge and was one of the men who reorganized the club in 1889. B. H. Cosby, of 36 Watauga street, is the second oldest Odd Fellow in Asheville, having taken the oath of membership only two weeks later than Hildebrand.

Officers of Five Lodges.

Other living Odd Fellows who joined the order soon after its reorganization in 1889 include J. G. Colvin, of 95 Woodfin street; P. A. Cummings now of Danville, Va.; and L. W. Jeanneret, of 216 College street. Each of these men has been a determining influence in carrying out the spirit and ideals of the Odd Fellow organization.

Present officers of the five lodges are as follows:

Swannanoa: W. F. Hensley, noble grand; C. R. Brannon, vice grand; L. W. Jeanneret, recording and corresponding secretary; C. E. Grove, financial secretary; and C. L. Renfro, treasurer and district supervisor. A. D. Stirewalt is retiring noble grand.

Blue Ridge: W. B. Frady, noble grand; R. L. Cook, vice grand; William M. Francis, recording, corresponding and financial secretary; and R. L. Mull, treasurer.

Biltmore: W. B. Glass, noble grand; Floss Allison, vice grand; D. P. Butler, recording secretary; Walter Curry, financial secretary; and M. H. Marshall, treasurer.

West Asheville: E. B. Franklin, noble grand; S. D. Bowers, vice grand; M. L. Hampton, recording secretary; T. F. Cash, financial secretary; and W. B. Westall, treasurer. Weaverville: Doc Roberts, noble grand; John Reagan, vice grand; J. N. Gill, recording secretary; E. S. Reeves, financial secretary; W. L. Parker, treasurer, and E. M. Reagan, lodge deputy.

Mrs. Hensley Heads Rebekahs.

Rebekah Odd Fellows, to which Odd Fellows wives, mothers, sisters, and daughters are eligible, was introduced in Asheville in 1904. Present officers of Rebekah lodge are Mrs. W. S. Hensley, noble grand; Mrs. Annie H. Shute, vice grand; Mrs. Florence Allen, recording secretary; Mrs. V. W. Moore, treasurer; Mrs. J. Hamilton Flagle, warden of state association and elected vice president of state organization for 1929.

Asheville Odd Fellows who have served as Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina are as follows: J. P. Sawyer 1897-98, L. B. McBrayer, 1903-04; Guy Weaver, 1915-17; R. L. Spaulding, 1926-27. John W. Clapp, of Burlington, is present grand master of the state lodge.

Past Grand Patriots of the North Carolina Grand Encampment are P. A. Cummings, 1897-98; L. W. Jeanneret, 1905-06; E. B. Stradley, 1913-14; H. A. Ballard, 1924-25.

Dedication of the magnificent new home of Asheville Odd Fellows on Ravenscroft Drive took place on June 7. Built of tapestry brick and trimmed with glazed and polycrome terra cotta, the new three-story building is one of the most attractive structures in the city.

Description of Building.

On the first floor of the building are three office rooms, a lobby, a banquet hall. On the second floor are preparation, committee, and ante-rooms, a large lodge room, kitchen, cafeteria, and another lobby. The third floor has a mezzanine hall and a regalia room. Large plate glass windows, up-to-date lighting fixtures, a modern heating system, and hardwood floors are features of the building.

Asheville Odd Fellows have ever been faithful to the mandate which the supreme lodge lays on every Order of Odd Fellows: "To visit the sick, relieve the distressed, bury the dead, and educate the orphans." Many of the older members of the lodge remember vividly the times when they contribued funds to relieve sufferers of the Jamestown and Galveston floods and the farmers who almost perished in the great "Northwest drought." Younger members recall the assistance which the lodge rendered during recent disasters, such as the Florida hurricane and the Mississippi valley flood.

In addition to the above mentioned deeds of kindness, this influential Brotherhood maintains an orphanage and "old folks home" at Goldsboro, where more than 125 persons are cared for and nurtured along paths of truth. The singing class from the Goldsboro orphanage is already favorably known in Asheville, having appeared in concert here several times.

Origin of Order

A brief synopsis of the origin and history of Odd Fellowship in America and in North Carolina, and the growth of this order from an humble beginning to a vast brotherhood of more than two and a half million persons is appropriate. Organized Odd Fellowship took birth in Baltimore on April 26, 1819, and Baltimore therefore became the radial point from which other lodges sprang to life.

North Carolina became identified with Odd Fellowship in the spring of 1842, when the first lodges were instituted in the eastern part of the state along the course of the Alantic Coast Line Railroad. These lodges formed the nucleus of the first Grand Lodge of North Carolina, which was organized the following year in Wilmington. Within a few years the newly established Grand Lodge had granted charters for the establishment of subordinate lodges in many counties in the Piedmont and coastal sections of the state.

For several years, on account of its isolation and difficulty of access, the country west of the Blue Ridge was deprived of the benefit of Odd Fellowship. Travel then was slow and arduous and a trip from Asheville to Raleigh entailed more hardship than a flight to San Francisco does today.

Swannanoa Lodge Started

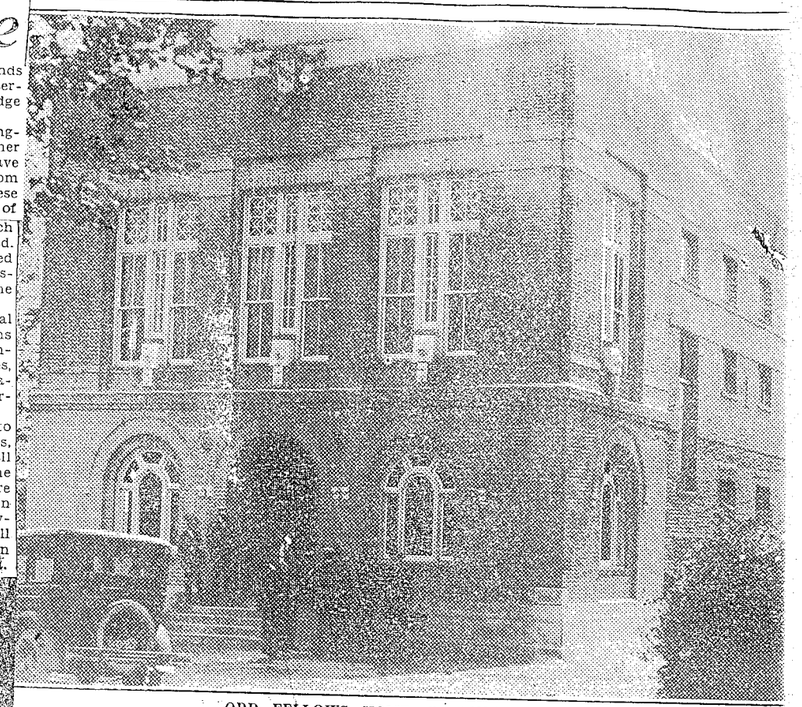
It was not until February 21 1856, that Swannanoa lodge was instituted by Past Grand R. H. Abernethy, of Lincolnton. The lodge worked with more or less success until the outbreak of the War Between the States in 1861, when Friendship, Love, and Truth were superseded by political upheaval and bitter conflict. During the Reconstruction period the bonds of Brotherhood were weak and uncertain; so it was 1889 that the lodge was finally reorganized.

Outside of the four degrees belonging to the Subordinate Lodge, other interesting and instructive ones have been introduced, some of them from the Order in England. Three of these were given to the Encampment of Patriarchal Odd Fellowship, to which only Odd Fellows could be admitted. Asheville Encampment, 2, instituted on June 26, 1891, now has the distinction of being the strongest in the state.

Owing to a demand for occasional display, the Cantons of Patriarchs Militant were organized from members having the Encampment degrees, under prescribed uniform and armament. Asheville Canton, 3, was mustered here in August, 1904.

Swannanoa Rebekah lodge, 37, to which Odd Fellows, their wives, mothers, sisters, daughters, and all unmarried women having reached the age of 18 and of good character are eligible, was formed at Biltmore in September, 1905, but was later moved to Asheville. This lodge is still carrying on work of great merit in Asheville and western North Carolina.

A ...ive Odd Fellows



ODD FELLOWS HOME, RAVENSCROFT DRIVE.

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Asheville, N. C.
NORTH CAROLINA ROOMS
Pack Memorial Public Library

THOUSANDS SEE SPARKS PROGRAM

Two Performances Measure Up To Usual Sparks Standard

Sparks Circus came to Asheville yesterday for two shows and this organization, always a favorite in Asheville, was greeted by enthusiastic crowds on each occasion.

Something of an innovation was sprung when the circus, instead of playing on the lot in the Depot bottoms, elected to try the newly filled in lot between the two West Asheville bridges on the west side. This seemed to please the crowd because of the superior accessibility of the lot and the fact that the footing was much more favorable than it would otherwise have been, as a result of the recent rains. The approach to the new lot is much superior and with a little more work it can easily be made the favorite.

The performance opened with a colorful and dazzling review by the entire company, two hundred horses, camels, elephants and other animals. The brilliant pageant of the wedding of "L'Ora the Jungle Queen," drew much applause. The principals in this were: Miss Alice Sohn, Miss Jaunita Gray and George Sohn. The music was by J. H. Del Vecho.

The eyes of the audience swiftly rivited on the huge steel arena, for it was there that the acts that sent shivers up and down thousands of spines originated. Among the feature animal acts were: Harriet Guilfoyle and the Sparks Circus Leopards; Franz Woska and the great polar bears; Jungle Bred Lions handled by Ione Carl; Jack Castegl and his trained Georgia hogs; and Franz Woska with ten Royal Bengal tigers.

The elephants, of course, came in for their share of applause, especially among the kiddies who were delighted at the antics of the trained pachyderms. This act was handled by Miss Ione Carl, Miss Jimmie Graves and Miss Billy Burton.

Reno McCree, great riding comedian and the Hollis-McCree troupe, was capably presented.

Miacahua, the Brazilian Wonder Girl, with her unusual wire act, proved to be the most sensational feature of the show. She used neither parasol or umbrella to keep her balance.

Burt Mayo's horses in the center ring showed a few new wrinkles in the field of educated horseflesh. This was followed a few minutes later by the high school horse show, and won much applause. The show ended with the pageant "The Making of Our Flag."

Asheville Citizen September 4, 1928

BINGHAM SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED

Will Open Again Next Fall After Repairs Are Completed

Bingham Military School will not open the 1928 session, but will suspend operations for one year in order that the entire group of buildings may be renovated and additional quarters built, it was announced yesterday by Bingham McKee, associate headmaster of the school. Possibly the first dormitory of the new group of buildings, which will eventually cost $250,000, will be added to the present plant next spring.

When the 1927-28 school year closed in June, Colonel S. R. McKee, headmaster of the famous old institution, announced that it was the plan of the directors and owners to build a fine school plant on Bingham School hill overlooking the French Broad River. This plant will be constructed in Gothic style and will accommodate 250 students.

It was at first thought that work would begin this summer on the new school plant and that a limited number of students would be accommodated this fall, but Mr. McKee said yesterday that since it has been decided to postpone the regular fall opening for one year, more time will be taken in putting the present buildings in shape and possibly work on the new plant for next year.

About 40 applications were refused for this fall's opening. Letters were written the boys explaining that the school will be closed one year. The football schedule was cancelled last June when it was announced that but a limited number of boys could be taken this fall.

Bingham School is one of the oldest in the South and its fame has spread abroad. A number of Asheville residents have said that they hope to see the new school plant in operation as soon as possible. Colonel McKee is the fifth headmaster of the school.

Asheville Citizen September 7, 1928

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 8, 1928

UNUSUAL FEATURE PLANNED TONIGHT

Radio Station Will Offer West Asheville Artists In Drama

A group of West Asheville artists has planned an unusual program which they will broadcast over the local station WWNC from 9:30 to 11 o'clock tonight.

Several rehearsals have been given for O. O. Shepherd, director of the station, with the result that Mr. Shepherd announces that this will be one of the best local programs offered recently.

It is to be a musical and dramatic entertainment. Group numbers and solos will be offered by the following musicians: Mrs. Etta H. Blanchard, pianist; Mrs. Elizabeth Krausse, violinist; Mrs. E. C. Griffin and George Hartrick, vocalists.

In between the musical selections a radio drama will be broadcast. It is an adaptation by Arline Pruette from "The Jackdaw," short story by Owen Oliver, well known English author. The cast of characters includes Mrs. Pruette as the wife, Heflin Keeling as Tom Bruce and Charles Trumbo as the "Jackdaw."

There will also be a radio vodvil offered by Hetz, Hetz and Ross, comedians, which promises plenty of laughs.

Asheville Citizen September 8, 1928

TENT SERVICES ARE BEING HELD

Old-Time Revival Campaign Under Way In West Asheville

An old-time revival campaign is now in progress under the big tent on Haywood road in West Asheville.

With the exception of the evangelist, the Rev. Seth C. Rees, and a few other minor changes, the meeting is being conducted by the same evangelistic party which held a series of services here a year ago.

The Rev. Jim Green, of this State, is evangelist. He has visited West Asheville [illegible] and is well loved by all who know him. The Rev. F. W. Black, of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, is assisting.

Besides the evangelist, a vocal quartet is traveling with the party and has been the means of attracting hundreds to the services. There is also an instrumental quartet.

Another special feature of this campaign is the children's services which will be conducted by one of the young ladies of the party.

The meetings are strictly interdenominational in character and everyone is cordialaly invited to attend. Services are held each evening at 7:45 o'clock and at 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoons.

Asheville Citizen September 13, 1928

LARGE SCHOOLS MAKE NEW PLAN

Superintendent Brooker Shifts Students To Make Room

Due to the crowded condition of the two schools, three sections of the sixth grades of Aycock and Eugene Rankin elementary schools in West Asheville have been moved to the Hall Fletcher junior high school building, it was anonunced yesterday by W. L. Brooker, superintendent of Asheville schools.

This move has been made since the primary grades of the two schools are unusually large this year. This change has been effected since the installation of the senior high school system with all third and fourth year high school students from David Millard and Hall Fletcher attend the senior school between 12 and 5 o'clock each afternoon in the David Millard building. This arrangement leaves three classrooms vacant at the Hall Fletcher The classes for the junior high school at Hall Fletcher are held during the morning under the direction of the principal, Thomas Hunt.

Asheville Citizen September 14,1928

FLOWER DISPLAY OPENS SATURDAY

Vance P-T Group Will Stage Show In Bledsoe Building

A fall flower show will be held in the Bledsoe building, corner of Haywood road and Vermont avenue, West Asheville, on Saturday, September 22. It was announced last night. This show will be held for the benefit of the Vance school Parent-Teacher association.

Mrs. Wilbur Devendorf, president, has invited all who care to show flowers to enter. There will be a number of prizes offered and persons who intend to enter flowers have been requested to communicate with the officials of the show.

Mrs. Robert Russell is general chairman of the show and Mrs. P. N. Gresham is chairman of the entries committee. Mrs. G. W. Morris is chairman of prizes. The judges will be Mrs. W. C. Brownson, Arthur M. Griffing and O. D. Allison.

Asheville Citizen September 16, 1928

Clowns 'n Everything Will Be On Hand For Fete At Middlemount

Clowns 'n everything!

The day of the carnival is not over. It's a mistake to think so. In one form or another they appear on the scene, dazzle the multitude for a moment, and then move on for something newer. But always the newer thing passes out and the carnival, with the eternal youth of Puck, comes back in garb that lures the weary throng and lightens the burdens of care.

A Carnival at Middlemount!

Could there be a lovlier setting for this age-old entertainment? Surely not. The spacious grounds of Mrs. Charles A. Webb's home fit perfectly into the scheme of this Carnival, which is being given for the Nature here lends itself to the scheme of the artist who has designed the show, and he can arrange every attraction so that it will fit snugly into the environment.

For children and grown folks!

There will be donkeys and ponies, trick mules and other tricks, grab-bags and fishing pools, shooting galleries and every imaginable form of entertainment that belongs to the Carnival. What fun it will be to see some fat man riding the trick mule with a clown, a real honest to goodness clown, coaching the donkey with his bag of tricks. What joy for the little one to ride the ponies. What exquisite pleasure for youth to expend himself in the tortuous maze of fun-making scenes.

But this is just a part of this Carnival. The Little Theatre will produce the play "Illium" which it gave with such eclat some weeks ago. This is a carnival play and it could not find a better setting for its numerous scenes.

Remember the dates!

Friday and Saturday afternoons of this week, beginning at 4:30 o'clock. At Middlemount on Haywood Road. This will be the show of the year. Of course you will not miss it. The public is invited. The proceeds go the to Asheville Clubhouse for Women.

Asheville Citizen September 16, 1928

OFFICERS MAKE BIG LIQUOR HAUL

Raid Haywood Quick Lunch And Chris Moshoures' Home

One of the largest liquor hauls made in this section in some time occurred yesterday at noon when Sheriff Laurence E. Brown and some of his deputies, assisted by members of the Police Department, raided the Haywood Quick Lunch shop on Haywood street and the home of Chris Moshoures, on Medilin avenue, Horney Heights, West Asheville, who is proprietor of the restaurant.

Moshoures escaped from the lunch shop during the raid, but surrendered to members of the Sheriff's Department at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and was released under bond.

Charlie Clayton and Claude Williams, deputy sheriffs, had been working on this case five weeks, the Sheriff said yesterday. As a result of their investigations, Sheriff Brown, John Mashburn, Bill Cordell, Charlie Clayton and Claude Williams, deputies, assisted by Carl Conley and C. B. Joyner, of the Police Department, raided the place and reported they found a well concealed trap in the ceiling of the basement, containing 31 quarts of Haig and Haig, Johnnie Walker, Gordon Dry Gin, William Penn Rye, and other kinds of bottled in bond. They also reported the finding of 21 pints of highly charged corn.

An hour later, Deputies John Mashburn, Cecil Buckner and Bob Patton raided Moshoures' home in West Asheville and reported the finding of another well concealed trap in his garage, containing 41 quarts of bottled in bond and 62 half gallons of corn liquor.

Officers reported Moshoures as saying, following his surrender yesterday, that when he saw Sheriff Brown and his deputies raiding his place on Haywood street he immediately sought someone to go on his bond, knowing that it would not be long before he was taken.

Asheville Citizen September 18, 1928

SEPTEMBER 19, 1928

Direct Flower Show

Directing officials for the flower show to be held in West Asheville Saturday under auspices of the Vance Parent-Teacher association. Left to right: Front row—Mrs. Brownson and Mrs. Wilbur Morris. Back row—Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, Mrs. Hall Gresham and Mrs. Carl Hauk.

FLOWER SHOW IN WEST ASHEVILLE

Will Be Held Saturday From 2 To 10 O'Clock In Bledsoe Bldg.

A flower show will be held in West Asheville Saturday from 2 to 10 p. m. under auspices of the Vance Parent-Teacher association.

It will be held in the Bledsoe building, one block from end of the West Asheville car line. Mrs. P. N. Gresham, chairman of the entries, yesterday asked that all potted plants and ferns be brought to the building Friday afternoon for placing, and that cut flowers be brought Saturday morning between 9 and 10.30 o'clock.

Blue and red ribbons will be awarded to first and second places, but prizes will be given only to blue ribbon winners.

Asheville Citizen September 19, 1928

This Is Why It Is Enka

ENKA! Why Enka?

This is what millions of people throughout the United States who read the Associated Press announcement of this great plant's coming to Asheville will be asking today.

The Dutch owners of this great plant were persuaded to drop their long Dutch name, attached to their Holland and other European plants and adopt only the first initial of each name, which, put together, spell Enka.

The original name is: Eerste Nederlandsche Kanzydfabrik Arnhem. A liberal translation of this is: First Netherlands Fabric Plant of Arnhem. The plant is located at Arnhem, Holland.

Asheville Citizen September 23, 1928

FEMALE LABOR BIG FACTOR IN GETTING PLANT

Asheville District Can Furnish Enka All That Is Needed

BOYER COMPILED FIGURES ON THIS

Industries Now Here Do Not Furnish Outlet For Women

One of the important factors in the securing of the Enka rayon plant for Asheville was the potential female labor of the district. The officials of the Enka company were not satisfied with the mere statement that there is a good supply of female labor they desired figures, and the figures pleased them.

Although it was found that around Asheville there was a great resource of unemployed female labor, the Champion Fibre company officials at Canton told the engineers and ficers of the American Enka company that they would be glad if the Enka plant came to Asheville, since it would open up employment for women in this section. The Champion Fibre company officials explained that it is a hard matter for them to keep their employes, since the plant offers so little labor for women.

The Enka rayon plant that will open up here will employ about 5,000 persons, 3,000 of whom will be women. This great demand for female labor was one of the problems the Enka officials put up to the Industrial bureau of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce F Q Boyer, industrial engineer of the Chamber, then compiled some figures that had never been compiled before concerning the resource in female workers of this section. The survey was made for a 10-mile radius.

Wage Earners Here

The 1928 population given for Asheville was 47,000, and Asheville township 63,500. The wage earners in manufacturing industries in Asheville are: male 1,500, female, 200. This gives only 3.2 per cent of the male population and the balance of 3 per cent female laborers of the population in the township there are 2,040 male workers and approximately 540 female workers. Of the township population, 4.6 per cent of the workers are male and .8 per cent female, which is practically nothing in population comparison. In Buncombe county, with a population of 94,000 there are 3,400 men and 650 women working in industrial plants. This gives a percentage of 3.6 for men and 7 for women of the population.

From Biltmore as a site for census, over a radius of 10 miles, there is a population of 81,000 persons. Of this population, 3,300 men and 650 men are working in plants. This gives a percentage of 4.2 per cent for men and just .8 per cent for women working in industrial plants of the 81,000 population. Comparisons were made with textile centers such as Gastonia, Kanapolis, Winston-Salem and Reading, Pa.

Figures show that at Gastonia, within a radius of 10 miles, there is a population of 60,100. Of this population there are 10,850 male workers and 7,100 female industrial employes. This makes the percentage of female employes of Gastonia 8.9 per cent of the population, more than eight per cent over the Asheville area. The percentage of female employment of Kanapolis is 7.7, of Winston-Salem, 8.0 and of Reading, Pa., 7.6.

Enka Officials Satisfied

Mr. Boyer showed that before this Biltmore district with its present population would reach a density of manufacuring employment as high as Reading, Pa., was in 1919, the area would have to have employed 12,350 more men and 5,500 additional women. Comparing it with Gastonia, the additional employes would be 7,620 men and 6,550 women. The potential population of unemployed women was shown to be sufficient in this district alone to satisfy the Enka officials on this point.

Bu the additional fact the women of Canton are unemployed for the most part, the big paper and pulp mill of the Champion Fibre company employing men for the majority of their departments, completed the data to the complete satisfaction of the Enka engineers. These figures show that the Asheville district, in addition to having an abundant supply of all natural resources and other attributes of nature that lend themselves favorably toward industry, has available a sufficient supply of both male and female labor to take care of the coming growth in industry.

Asheville Citizen September 23, 1928

AMERICAN ENKA LOCATES GREAT RAYON PLANT HERE

THE WEATHER—
NORTH CAROLINA: Fair Sunday, cooler Sunday night; Monday fair and cooler, probably showers on the coast.

THE SUNDAY CITIZEN

"DEDICATED TO THE UPBUILDING OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA"

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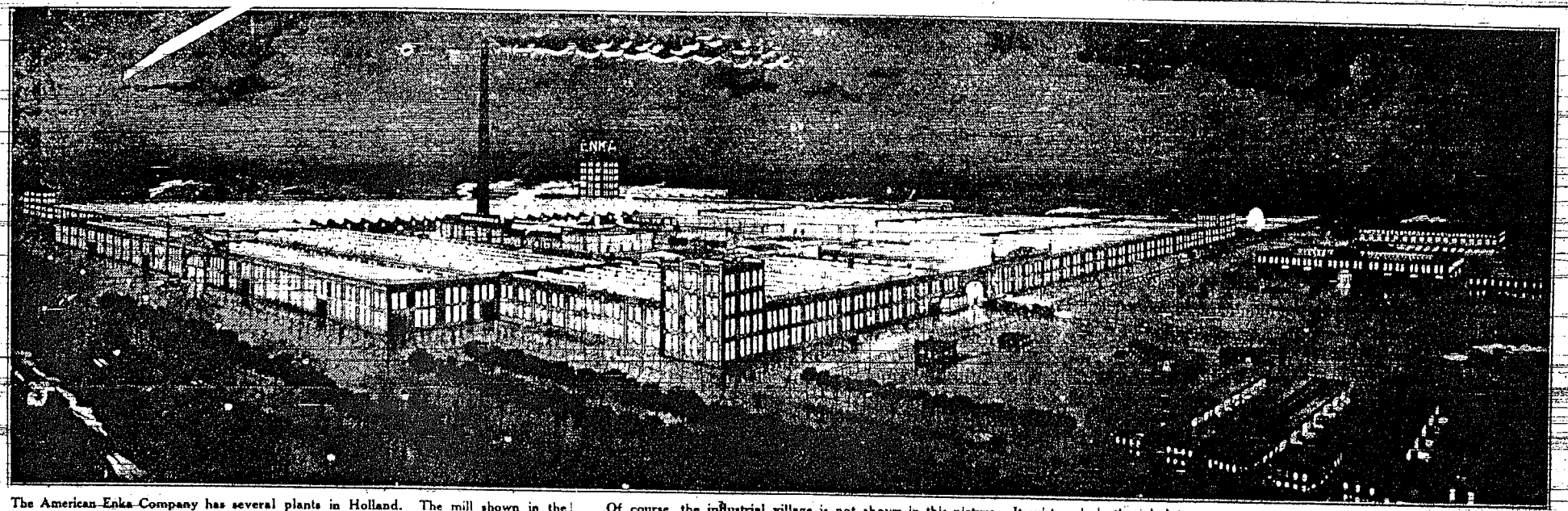
This Picture Shows The Great Rayon Plant That Comes To Asheville



The American Enka Company has several plants in Holland. The mill shown in the above picture is their largest plant now in operation, and the largest rayon mill in the world. The Asheville plant will be an exact duplicate of this mill but on a larger scale, making it the largest rayon mill in existence.

Of course, the industrial village is not shown in this picture. It exists only in the minds of the engineers and architects. But it will be large enough to house 20,000 people, which will make it a city the size of Gastonia. As it will be a suburb of Asheville, when completed and occupied, it will make Asheville the largest city in North Carolina.

Asheville Citizen September 23, 1928

Enka In A Nutshell

The plant will be the largest rayon mill in the world.

It will employ 5,000 persons, 2,000 men and 3,000 women.

The annual payroll will be about $6,000,000.

The plant will cost $10,000,000 and construction work will begin this week.

The land, which is opposite the Valkyrie dairy, cost Enka $750,000.

Two miles of railroad siding will be built for the plant.

An impounding dam to hold 150,000,000 gallons of water will be built.

Enka will use 5,000,000 gallons of water a day.

When the Enka village has been completed it will house 25,000 persons, which will give Asheville a population of more than 100,000, making this city the largest in the Carolinas.

Enka will manufacture only raw rayon. The thread will be sold to other manufacturers for weaving into cloth.

Enka will bring other industries here. Such plants invariably follow a rayon plant so as to be near the source of raw materials.

Enka will use spruce wood, both from Canada and from Western North Carolina forests, to make rayon.

Enka officials will reside in Asheville for several years or permanently.

Local labor and materials will be used in every instance possible.

The Enka site comprises approximately 2,000 acres of land.

The plant will consume 30,000 to 60,000 tons of coal annually.

The plant will use 125,000,000 kilowatt hours of electrical power annually.

The plant will consume about 6,000 tons of sulphite pulp annually and about 35,000 tons of chemicals.

The plant will operate on three shifts, running continuously from Monday morning to Saturday evening.

The value of the annual production will be about $10,000,000.

Paving, street railway lines, bus lines, telephone lines and water mains will be extended to the plant.

Dr. A. F. L. Moritz will have charge of the plant. Dr. Moritz, his wife and six children will live in Asheville, the children attending school here.

Work will begin [illegible] foundations this week.

More than $3,000,000 will be spent in constructing the plant.

The plant is supposed to be fully completed and operating within 18 months.

The plant will cover 75 acres of ground.

Asheville Citizen September 23, 1928

Over 100 Manufacturing Plants Now In Asheville

They Produce Finished Products Valued At $25,000,000

Over 100 manufacturing plants of varying sizes in the vicinity of Asheville produce over $25,000,000 in finished products, according to figures compiled by the Industrial Department of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce. These vary in size from plants employing only a few workmen to huge enterprises which have nearly a thousand men on the payrolls.

[illegible] of Asheville are engaged in the manufacture of textiles, including cotton thread, blankets, dyed and finished goods, woolen homespun, hosiery, towelling and mattresses. Two plants are engaged in the manufacture and [illegible] of leather goods. Sixteen Asheville industries are engaged in the wood using industry. Furniture, planing mill products, dimension stock, and other products came from these factories.

Printing and publishing plants, laundering and dry cleaning, the manufacture of artificial stone, cigars, cleansing preparations, fertilizer, gas, ice, lime, mica, insulators, sand and gravel, sheet metal, and cut stone are among the miscellaneous industries which center upon Asheville.

The value of products made by manufacturing plants in and near Asheville has increased from $1,301,000 in 1899 to $25,000,000 in 1928. The number of workers employed has increased from 1804 in 1899 to nearly 5,000 in 1928. The establishment of the American Enka Corporation at Asheville will greatly increase these totals in coming years.

The huge paper plants of the Champion Fiber Company, at Canton, is one of the largest in the United States. More mica is mined in the vicinity than in any other section of the United States, and one of the largest copper mines in the south is located in this region.

The growth of industry and distribution in Asheville has caused a corresponding growth in transportation. In 1928 the numbers of cars handled through the Asheville freight terminal, averaged nearly 100,000 monthly.

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FLOWER SHOW TO BE ANNUAL FETE

Vance P-T Flower Show In West Asheville A Success

The West Asheville flower show held in the Bledsoe building, near the end of the car line, under the auspices of the Vance Parent-Teacher association, was declared a great success by those in charge. Mrs. Wilbur Devendorf, president of the association, suggested to the Parent-Teacher association that this be an annual event, possibly held a little earlier in the season.

A large number of potted plants and cut flowers were assembled for the show, there being 200 entries, under 25 classifications. Premiums were given by the following firms and individuals: Snyder-Warlick Furniture Company, Mutual Coal Company, Woody Bros., Imperial, Plaza, Princess, Palace and West Asheville theaters, Bennett's Market, Ingle Hardware Company, Teague's Market, West Asheville Band, Asheville-Biltmore hotel, Bilbro Drug Company, Craven's Drug Company, Barker's Department Store, Bryan's Pharmacy, May's Market, West Asheville Pharmacy, J. M. Ingle Grocery Company, J. B. Teague Grocery Company, Mrs. Brimmer's Harper Show, Mrs. Wilbur Devendorf and Mrs. P. N. Gresham.

Blue and red ribbons were awarded as follows: Annuals: Cosmos, first, Mrs J. S. Wilkie; second, Mrs. Williams; Zinnias, first, Mrs. P. N. Gresham; second, Mrs. Forbes; Nasturtiums, first, Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins; Marigolds, first, Mrs. Forbes; second, Mrs. J. C. Humphries; Asters, first, Mrs. Forbes; second, Mrs. Hemphill. Dahlias: Cactus, first, Mrs George F Baller; second, Mrs J. M. Weaver; best specimen dahlia, first, Mrs. J M Weaver; second, Mrs. Weaver; best display of decoratic dahlias, first, Mrs. J. M Weaver; second, Mrs. C C Demaree; honorable mention, Mrs. Weaver and Mrs. Baler; table decorations, first, Mrs. Forbes; second, Mrs J. T. Bledsoe; roses, best specimen, first, Mrs. Dioan A. Roberts, best display of roses, Mrs. Roberts; bouquet, Miss Sarah Jones; display grown by children, first, Elizabeth Haley, second, Nancy Haley; honorable mention, Ralph Dysart; wildflowers, first, Philip and Bettie Lee Russell; potted plants; begonias, first, Mrs. J. H. Hurt; second, Miss Annie Glenn; sultana, first, Mrs. C H Andrews; second, Mrs Sanders; cactus, first, Mrs. E. B. Bird; second, Miss Kezia Lance; ferns; asparague, first, Mrs. R. T Smathers; second, Mrs. L G. Himes, silvord fern, first, Mrs R. T. Smathers; second, Harold Duckett, honorable mention; century plant, Mrs. Williams; parlor moss, Mrs J. G. Sallade. Most distinctive cut flowers, first, Miss Mary Bohn; second, Mrs. J. T. Bledsoe.

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Houses Wanted At Once in

During the past week we have had calls for 16 five and six-room bungalows in Sulphur Springs Park development. If you are the owner of a lot in Sulphur Springs Park and would consider building or if you are a builder and would consider building for others—please call on us at once.

Sulphur Springs Park

FLOYD BYRAM

Owner and Developer

Office 213 Miles Building

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN

Webb Motor Will Open West Asheville Branch

Bruce Webb, President, Announces Step; Will Open Saturday

Establishment of a branch at 744 Haywood road, West Asheville, in the building formerly occupied by the Hudson Essex Sales company, has been announced by Bruce Webb, president of the Webb Motor company, Buick Dealers.

This branch, which will be devoted to the display and sales of new and used cars, will open Saturday, Mr. Webb said last night. It will be in charge of Walker Thomasson, an experienced automobile man who has been with the Webb motor company for the past year as a member of its sales force.

We have recognized the rapid growth of that section of Asheville west of the river," Mr. Webb, explained, "and have been planning the establishment of a branch there for the past two years. The step was held up temporarily because of business conditions but now with the optimistic trend taken as a result of the location in that section of the great plant of the American Elika company, we feel that we are justified in creating this branch for the service and convenience of our customers in that section.

The building affords ample facilities for the mechanical department and action on that matter will be taken as soon as the branch determines just what demand there is for such mechanical service in West Asheville. In the event that such a demand is there, and we anticipate that there will be shortly, we will establish in this building, in addition to the sales force and display rooms, a complete, authorized Buick Service Station.

(Friday)

Asheville Citizen September 24, 1928

TENT MEETING TO HOLD SERVICES

Rev. Jim Green To Speak At Afternoon, Evening Meetings

Services will be held at the tent meeting on Haywood Road, West Asheville, Sunday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, with the Rev. Jim Green, of the Nazarene Church, Connelly Springs, N. C., doing the preaching.

The tent meeting workers will disband for the Sunday morning services in order to allow them to attend church services elsewhere.

The Rev. Mr. Green will speak in Clyde at ' e 11 o'clock hour Sunday, and the Rev. J. W. Black, who has been asisting in the meetings, will speak at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, West Asheville, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Much interest has been shown in the tent meetings, and large crowds are attending.

Asheville Citizen September 29, 1928

Enka Growth Reflected By Demand For Houses

Decision Not To Build Formal Village Helps West Asheville

The industrial village of Enka will not be built at the plant site on Hominy creek on an extensive scale unless the plant, or plants, assume such proportions in the future that West Asheville, Asheville, Canton, Canton and the immediate environs of the industry, together with transportation facilities, cannot handle the 5,000, or more, employes and their families to the satisfaction of the officials.

It has been pointed out by the Enka officials that the village of Enka will be built only as the necessity of having certain employes near the plant at all times arises. Co-operating with the Enka officials in this respect, the officials of the Carolina Power and Light Company, the bus service, telephone company and the Southern Railway are extending lines and making arrangements for the rapid transportation of employes from Asheville, Biltmore, West Asheville, Canton and points between to and from the plant.

Will Be Built

The Enka village will be built, however, as the need arises. For this reason the Enka corporation insisted on purchasing enough land to accommodate a village of approximately 15,000 residents. The Enka officials [illegible] Sayles Bleacheries village and the Beacon Manufacturing company industrial village for the purpose of noting ideas of the industrial village types of this section.

[illegible] of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday said that they have noted the diminishing of vacant house signs and advertisements during the past few days in various sections adjacent to Asheville proper, especially in West Asheville. When the Enka officials first designated the land that they would require to establish their plant here, the 2,000, or more, acres now held by them here was not requested. Two hundred acres for the plant site was the main objective. Later, however, the Enka officials decided that in the event it became necessary to build a village of their own, they would not be in a position to command the land which is now at their disposal.

Labor Available

A survey of the 10-mile radius with Biltmore as the hub showed that there is a great resource of unemployed female labor. This was one of the important factors in the securing of the Enka plant. Especially was it pointed out by officials of the Champion Fibre company at Canton that they have some trouble in keeping their men employes, since there is a dearth of labor available for women in that section. The Champion Fibre company officials, therefore, said that this was one of the reasons they are glad that Enka is coming.

There are 1,500 male wage earners in manufacturing plants and but 200 female employes, or [illegible] percent of the male population and but [illegible] of the female. In the Asheville township there are 2,940 male workers in manufacturing plants and 530 female workers, giving a male percentage of [illegible] and the female percentage at [illegible]. There are 3,400 men and 660 women employed in manufacturing plants in Buncombe county, this but [illegible] percent of the women of the population as employed in the plants of the county. In the 10-mile radius area it was found that there is but [illegible] percent of the women population employed in plants, giving a great resource of female labor for this section.

In other industrial centers, including Gastonia, Winston-Salem, and Pennsylvania cities it was found that the employment of women is much higher per population. This was one of the principal features stressed by the Asheville agencies who were connected with the Enka officials in the securing of the plant for this city. The Enka officials, however, after being assured of the available labor for their plant, decided to be secure in their venture by purchasing enough land to build their own village if necessary.

Promise Trains

Shuttle trains from Asheville and Canton, street railway line extensions, bus line extensions and other facilities to get labor to and from the plant have been promised the Enka officials. It is understood that the village site will be laid out, water mains laid and light facilities installed to care for any residences that the company may see fit to erect as the plant structure draws near completion.

At the present time the erection of the $10,000,000 plant is the only thought of the Enka corporation officials and contractors. Within 60 days the erection of the plant will be well under way and by next New Year's Day completed, contractors believe. Long before that time the Enka officials may see fit to proceed with a section of the rayon village. The Enka experts will during the next several months make a complete survey, taking applications and addresses of men and women who desire to work in the plant, thereby finding out the exact status of the labor and transportation situation.

It is understood that a small village will be erected near the plant for the corps of instructors, which will be sent over here from Holland plants to open up the Asheville industry. Enka officials will live near the plant, as will a number of the foremen and employes. At the present time no definite announcement will be made by the Enka officials concerning the extent of the village at the opening date of the plant. In any event the entire surrounding territory will be developed as to population. The outcome of the labor the plant erection draws during the next year will determine the officials concerning the village, it is understood.

The Citizen received a letter yesterday from the office of O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, candidate for Governor of the State of North Carolina, stating that in Mr. Gardner's [illegible] in securing the large rayon plant and that he hopes to see similar industries come to North Carolina from time to time to help fill up the large industrial program of the State, which has already begun.

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Sheriff Laurence Brown Takes Fancy Liquor In Brucemont Circle Raid

Five Hundred And Fifty Quarts Of Rare Quality "Stuff" Captured By Officers At Home Of W. T. Newman In West Asheville

A total of 550 quarts of liquor, in all sorts of containers and of all sorts of brands, were captured early last evening at the home of W. T. Newman at 210 Brucemont Circle, West Asheville, by members of the Sheriff's department, it was reported last night.

Newman was placed under arrest and released under bond of $1,000. He waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the Superior Court for appearance October 15.

Those making the raid included Sheriff Lawrence E. Brown, Special Investigator Tilden Dillingham, and Deputy Sheriffs Dock Burnett, DeWeese, Mashburn and Williams. The officers said they had been working on this case a week. Newman is reported to have come to Asheville 30 days ago from New Jersey. The liquor is said to have been found in various places throughout the house.

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VOTE ANALYSIS

Grand totals in The Times' presidential straw canvass of western North Carolina follow:

Total vote 10,438. For Hoover 6,159. For Smith 4,279. Hoover leads by 1,880.

Of the Smith voters 2,509 favored modification and 1,193 enforcement of present dry laws without change.

Of the Hoover voters 672 favored modification and 4,743 enforcement of present dry laws without change.

Grand total for modification 3,181. For enforcement without change 5,940. Enforcement leads by 2,759.

Of the 10,348 who voted, 2,329 did not vote in 1924. Of this number, 947 cast straw ballots for Smith and 1,382 for Hoover.

Switches from 1924 party choices: LaFollette to Smith, 33; LaFollette to Hoover, 41; Coolidge to Smith, 273; Davis to Hoover, 1,037.

Asheville Times October 21, 1928

W. Asheville Club To Hold Enka Jubilee

West Asheville, through the West Asheville Community club, will give Enka a hearty official welcome on Thursday night, it was announced Saturday. Members of the club and residents of the city will gather that evening at Hall Fletcher high school at a celebration staged to show the town's appreciation of the fact that a $10,000,000 rayon plant is being built on its outskirts. Officials of the Enka company have been invited to attend.

Plans for the celebration have not been completed, but the most gala occasion in the history of the club is expected. An elaborate musical program has been arranged, and there will be a number of short speeches. Refreshments will be served by the women of the club.

The celebration will begin at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Hugh Bowers, president of the club, and Bert Starnes, are in charge of arrangements. In announcing their intention of staging the celebration, members of the club said they wished to express their appreciation for what they considered the most important chapter in the history of West Asheville, the coming of the rayon plant, now under construction in Hominy valley.

Among those expected to speak are Dr. E. A. Moritz, of the Enka corporation Wallace B. Davis, president of the Central Bank; Fred L. Seely; Dan W. Hill, and Fred L. Weede, of the Chamber of Commerce.

Asheville Times October 21, 1928

THE ASHEVILLE TIMES

FOUR OFFICIALS OF ENKA PLANT IN CELEBRATION

West Asheville Club Lays Plans For Jubilee On Thursday.

The West Asheville club was making final preparations Wednesday for its celebration in honor of the Enka plant, to be staged at Hall Fletcher school at 7 o'clock Friday evening. Fred L. Seely will be principal speaker at the meeting, it was announced. At least four officials of the rayon company, now building a plant in Hominy valley, will be present, it was stated.

Others who will attend the celebration are: Wallace B. Davis, Dan W. Hill, Fred L. Weede, Mayor Gallatin Roberts and C. C. Knight.

Dinner is to be served. Music will be furnished by the Spencer orchestra and the West Asheville male quartet, composed of Walter McRary, Ray Mill, er, D. B. McElwain and Roy Byerly. Hugh Sowers is president of the club. Burt Starnes is chairman of the committee for the occasion.

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THE ASHEVILLE TIMES

CO-OPERATION IS PLEDGED IN ENKA JUBILEE

Officials Of Rayon Firm Are Heard In West Asheville Celebration.

Declaring that only through co-operation between Asheville people and Enka officials could the great gains be derived from the establishment of the rayon industry in this section, L. A. Johnson, treasurer of the American Enka corporation, thanked members of the West Asheville club and Asheville in general for the kindness and generosity shown the Enka officials so far in one of several addresses delivered at a special dinner given Thursday night at the Hall Fletcher high school by the West Asheville club.

"The interests of Asheville and Enka are one and the same now," he said.

Formal Celebration.

The West Asheville club, southern hospitality and oratory, and the loveliness of southern women each came in for a word of praise by Mr. Johnson during the course of his speech.

The dinner was held as a formal celebration of the establishment of the Enka plant in the Sand Hill section and the effect that it will have on West Asheville. Officials of the Enka corporation now in Asheville and Asheville men who were influential in bringing the rayon industry to western North Carolina were guests of the club. Approximately 200 persons were present.

Fred I. Seely, discussing what the rayon industry will mean to Asheville and western North Carolina, surveyed the industrial development of Asheville during the last thirty-five years. Each industry, he said, has added to the wealth and worth of this city and western North Carolina.

Other Speakers.

Other speakers on the program were Dan Hill, president of the Chamber of Commerce; F. Q. Boyer, industrial engineer of the Chamber of Commerce, J. M. Van den Bosch, Enka chief engineer in charge of construction, Mayor Gallatin Roberts, E. M. Lyda, chairman of the Buncombe county commissioners; and representatives of the Ferguson Construction company.

Hugh Sowers, president of the club, acted as toastmaster.

H. B. Posey and J. O. Barrett were special hosts for the dinner. Special music was provided by the Spencer Trio.

All music was furnished by "home" talent. One of the hits of this portion of the program was the West Asheville Methodist church quartet, under the direction of Walter McRary.

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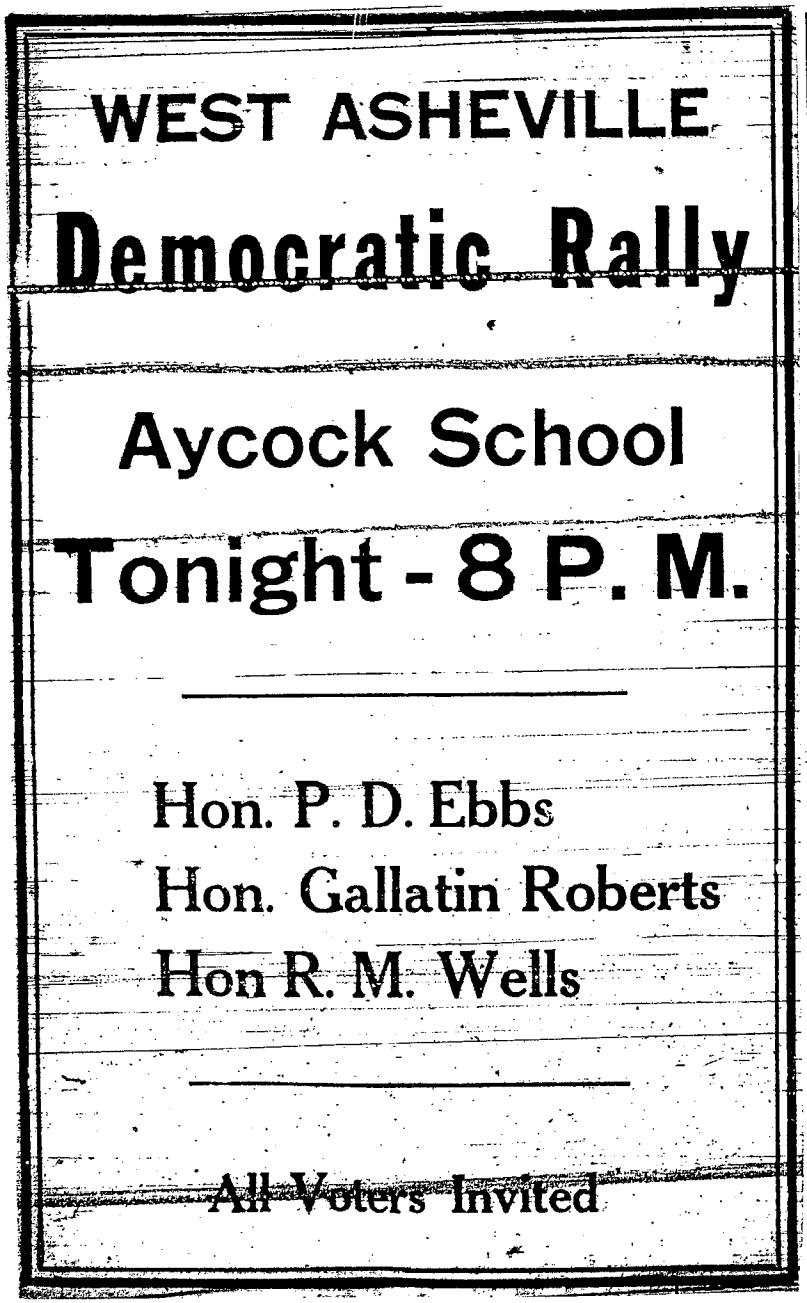

MAYOR ROBERTS, PLATO EBBS AND WELLS TO SPEAK

Jones And Lee At Candler; Rally Also Planned For Weaverville

Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Solicitor Robert M. Wells and Senator Plato D. Ebbs will address a mass meeting at Aycock school, West Asheville, tonight at 8 o'clock.

The rally will be held under the auspices of the Buncombe County Democratic Executive committee. Senator Ebbs will discuss county issues, while Judge Wells and Mayor Roberts will devote their speeches to both national and state issues.

Ellis C. Jones and Representative Charles G. Lee, Jr. will adress the rally at Candler high school, while J. Bat Smathers will speak at Valley Springs.

D. Elden Ramsey, J. Ed Swain, A. Hall Johnston and Judge Thomas A. Jones will be the speakers at the Weaverville meeting.

Representative Harry L. Nettles will speak over radio at 8:10 o'clock.

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THE WEATHER
NORTH CAROLINA: Showers Saturday; colder in West portion Saturday afternoon and night. Sunday fair and colder.

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EARTHQUAKE ROCKS ASHEVILLE AND MOUNTAIN AREA

RESIDENTS ROUTED FROM BEDS AS BUILDINGS SHIVER DURING SHARP TEMBLOR

Only Damage Reported Is Cracked Floor In Jackson Building; Dishes And Windows Rattle As Brief Shock Affects Area As Far South As Spartanburg, S. C.; Eastern Tennessee Feels Tremors

Heavy earthquake tremors shook the mountain side of Western North Carolina and adjoining states last night a few minutes after 11 o'clock.

The shock was brief, heavy, and passed with startling rapidity. Almost every place from Bristol, Va.-Tenn., to Spartanburg, S. C., and from Asheville to Winston-Salem reported that the quake had been felt, disturbing homes and throwing consternation into households. All of Eastern Tennessee, according to reports, was shaken heavily.

Every report indicated that the tremor had been only slight and that no serious damage had been done. Though something approaching panic followed the shock and thousands of people were brought suddenly from their homes and many from their beds to find out what had happened, the tremor was not followed by any serious aftermath and no second tremors were felt at any point except at Spartanburg, S. C., where the shock was repeated twice within fifteen minutes.

Hundreds of people ran to their telephones immediately after the incident to call the nearest police station, fire station, or newspaper office to find out what had befallen. Many people whose telephones had been put out of commission by the disturbance jumped in their automobile and rushed to the nearest center of population to investigate the occurrence.

Temporary Panic

The disturbance came to Asheville without warning of any kind and left thousands of people in a state of temporary panic. Reports began to flow into The Citizen office at 11:05 o'clock, two minutes after the shock that all parts of the city and surrounding country had been disturbed. Hundreds of people who had retired for the night were awakened. One or two citizens reported that they had been tumbled out of bed.

Following the first early reports that came in, it was found that telephone service in several parts of the city, notably in the Northern section, had been put out of order. Several business men who were working in the Jackson building hurried out in the expectation of seeing the building tumble down.

Floor Is Cracked

Books were thrown from their cases in several offices in the Jackson building and in the office of George Pennell, city attorney, the floor was cracked by the tremor.

The shock appeared to have reached its greatest intensity along Montford Avenue and in the Montford Hills and Woodfin section. Citizens in this entire area rushed from their houses and stood around in groups in a state of bewilderment and uncertainty. Many of them hurried to The Citizen office to make inquiries about the extent of the damage.

Within ten minutes after the tremor calls were received from Lake View Park, Kenilworth, West Asheville, Orange Street, Spruce Street, Biltmore, Grove Park, Woodfin, Cumberland Avenue, South Biltmore, and [illegible] shock had been heavy, and that the entire communities were aroused and people hurrying from their homes to the streets.

Many freak things were reported as having happened. Patrons at the Majestic Theater, where the show was just coming to an end, rushed from their seats and filled the street and [illegible] office of Carl Bamford at the Princess Theater building, the heavy safe was rolled from its moorings by the quake, and trembled about the floor while desks were rudely bumped about. In restaurants where many people were having dinner after the shows, the dishes were shaken on the table, and many people frightened.

From several homes came reports that dishes had been thrown from the cupboards. In a few minutes after the shock a telephone call from Newport, Tenn., saying that people had been awakened and were hurrying from their houses. Several of them stated that their furniture and dishes had been cast about and that pictures had fallen from the wall.

Automobilists who hurried to The Citizen office from every section of Asheville, West Asheville, Biltmore and Kenilworth, reported that their cars had been shaken about. Several people stated that their cars had acted queerly, and several of them stated that the shock had been sufficient to stop the car.

Patients in the various city hospitals were frightened. Attendants from all indications were as badly frightened as the patients.

The same sort of fright appeared to be general all over Buncombe county. Telephone girls at the office of the Southern Bell company stated to The Citizen that in a period of two hours after the shock they were overwhelmed with thousands of calls from all parts of Western North Carolina. Women were particularly agitated and pressed The Citizen for information as to whether or not there would be a recurrence of the shock. Most of them were completely reassured when it was explained that the tremor had covered the entire Mountain region in Tennessee, Western North Carolina and South Carolina.

Radio fans who were sitting at their machines dialing for a sound of "Al" Smith's voice from Brooklyn without success stated that reception cleared up perceptibly after the earth shock and that they were able to get any station they wanted the moment the trembling ceased.

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Thudding Sound

A feature of the shock was that it was accompanied by a low, thudding sound, like the falling of rock. Hundreds of people thought that somebody had blown up Beaucatcher Tunnel. After the low, falling sound came a moment of intense shock and then a few seconds of quivering as if the earth were being rudely shaken.

From several sections of the city citizens declared that windows in their homes had been cracked. No more serious damage was done to any of these houses so far as could be ascertained.

In some homes the shock was so perceptible that even the animals were badly frightened, and one lady was exceedingly disturbed because her dog continued after the quake to moan and howl.

Homes Shaken

Homes in the Kimberly section seemed to be shaken with particular fury at the beginning of the tremor, as were also homes in the Montford Hill and Woodfin section. Indications were that in the entire area along the French Broad river all the way down to Newport the shock reached its greatest intensity. Several calls stated that the rumbling between the river banks was particularly heavy and that it gave every indication of having been a tremendous explosion.

For an hour the street in front of the Citizen office was clogged with cars and reporters were kept busy answering queries mainly of men who crowded into the office, many of the affrighted. Most of them were [illegible] town, and politicians on their ways home from the several political meetings which were held in the city and several parts of the county. Many of the politicians of both political persuasions were visibly agitated, and were only slightly composed after being told that probably the mishap was only the beginnings of a political [illegible] mitted that they were frightened.

Many Awakened

Mothers who called the Citizen office [illegible] awakened and many of them said that they were having difficulty in quieting even the older members of the family. School girls by hundreds, just finishing up their regular or extra-curricular work, called the Citizen to ascertain where the center of the shock was, which up until a late hour had not been reported on by the government authorities in Washington.

No seismographic reports could be obtained. The United States Weather Bureau had closed for the night and it was impossible to get any information from this source.

W. Ed Gibson, city secretary-treasurer, drove by the Citizen office soon after the tremor had passed and reported that people were hurrying helter-skelter in an effort to find out what was going on. He stated that in his section of the city the shock was very heavy.

James H. Wood, division passenger agent for the Southern Railway reported that his house had been very badly shaken but no serious damage done.

C. E. Shepherd, manager of Radio Station WWNC, and familiarly known through the columns of the Citizen as "GOSH" called from the Kenilworth section and stated that the entire community was in a near state of panic. Citizens who had been having radio and card parties in the Oakhurst section phoned the news within a few minutes of the tremor and declared they felt that the mountain was sliding down. Several of them were afraid that the White Fawn reservoir had broken.

People from the rural sections sent in similar reports about the intensity of the shake-up. Several of them who did not have telephones hurried to their neighbors houses to check up on what they feared would prove to be a catastrophe.

Women Nervous

One lady asked reporters to advise her whether the "end of the world was coming." Most of the women were anxious to ascertain the extent of the quake, and expressed fears for their relatives at distant points.

Many of the women who called were [illegible] know whether damage had been done in Tennessee and South Carolina. Not a few of the feminine callers were completely chagrined that reporters could not tell them within a few minutes after the shock just how far its extend, and whether there would be another one.

A call from the home of Gustav Lichtenfels stated that all of the pictures on the walls had been turned about, and the mirrors turned awry. Similar reports came from hundreds of homes throughout the city.

Many of the people who called at the Citizen office had gotten up from bed, dressed and journeyed down to ascertain whether any damage was done to their places of business.

A late report from the Jackson building stated that damage had been done in most of the offices from the fourth floor up. Many bookcases were reported thro[illegible] and books cast out onto the floor.

When the tremor shook the building violently the negro elevator boy ran the car to the first floor and fled. He could not be found last night. Tenants in the building who were still at work at 11 o'clock had to walk to the ground floor.

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Sample Ballot For Use In Presidential Race

1. To vote for all electors of any one party make a cross (X) in the circle above the party column.
2. To vote for some but not all the electors of one party make a cross (X) mark in the square at the left of the name of every candidate printed on the ballot for whom you wish to vote. If you mark any one elector, you must mark all for whom you wish to vote. A mark in the circle will not be counted if any one elector is marked.
3. Mark only with a pencil having black lead.
4. Any other mark, erasure or tear on this ballot renders it void.
5. If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and obtain another.

DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN
For a straight ticket	For a straight ticket
O	O
Mark (X) Within the Circle	Mark (X) Within This Circle
Electors at-Large:	**Electors at Large:**
☐ CLYDE R. HOEY	☐ STUART W. CRAMER
☐ TERRY A. LYON	☐ CYRUS THOMPSON
District Electors:	**District Electors:**
First Congressional District	First Congressional District
☐ STANLEY WINBORNE	☐ CLARENCE ALLEN
Second Congressional District	Second Congressional District
☐ W. H. S. BURGWYN	☐ W. F. OUTLAND
Third Congressional District	Third Congressional District
☐ GEORGE WARD	☐ W. B. ROUSE
Fourth Congressional District	Fourth Congressional District
☐ T. T. THORNE	☐ JOHN C. MATTHEWS
Fifth Congressional District	Fifth Congressional District
☐ ROBERT M. GANTT	☐ S. O. McGUIRE
Sixth Congressional District	Sixth Congressional District
☐ [illegible]	☐ [illegible]
Seventh Congressional District	Seventh Congressional District
☐ T. E. RATTLEY	☐ D. J. LYBROOK
Eighth Congressional District	Eighth Congressional District
☐ W. R. LOVILL	☐ GEORGE CHEEK
Ninth Congressional District	Ninth Congressional District
☐ PEYTON McSWAIN	☐ RICHARD A. SHUFORD
Tenth Congressional District	Tenth Congressional District
☐ R. R. REYNOLDS	☐ L. L. JENKINS

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Herbert Hoover Leading In Buncombe Co. Voting

Twenty - Five Precincts Give Him 2308 More Votes Than Smith

Herbert Hoover continued to increase his lead over Gov. Al Smith as precinct returns from Buncombe county were tabulated.

Incomplete returns from 25 out of 38 precincts in the county gave Hoover a majority of 2,308 over his Democratic opponent for the presidency. Indications are that Hoover's majority will surpass 3,000 in the county.

The total vote for the 25 precincts was:

Smith 8,839; Hoover, 11,127.

The returns include all the Asheville precincts except three.

The vote by precincts

	Smith	Hoover
Asheville No 1	417	244
Asheville No 2	481	341
Asheville No 3	351	317
Asheville No 5	357	397
Asheville No 8	234	227
Asheville No 9	434	217
Asheville No 10	199	236
Asheville No. 11	334	218
Asheville No 12	330	158
Asheville No 13	536	669
Asheville No 14	477	482
Asheville No 15	608	889
Beaverdam	1087	1578
Bi Mt No 1	388	454
Bi Bt. No. 2	122	127
Hazel	246	504
Ivy No 2	115	153
Sandy Mush	54	93
Swannanoa	419	889
Avery Creek	100	203
Biltmore	677	1065
Haw Creek	427	401
Upper Hominy No. 2	256	382
French Broad	94	351
Flat Creek	125	452
	8839	11,127

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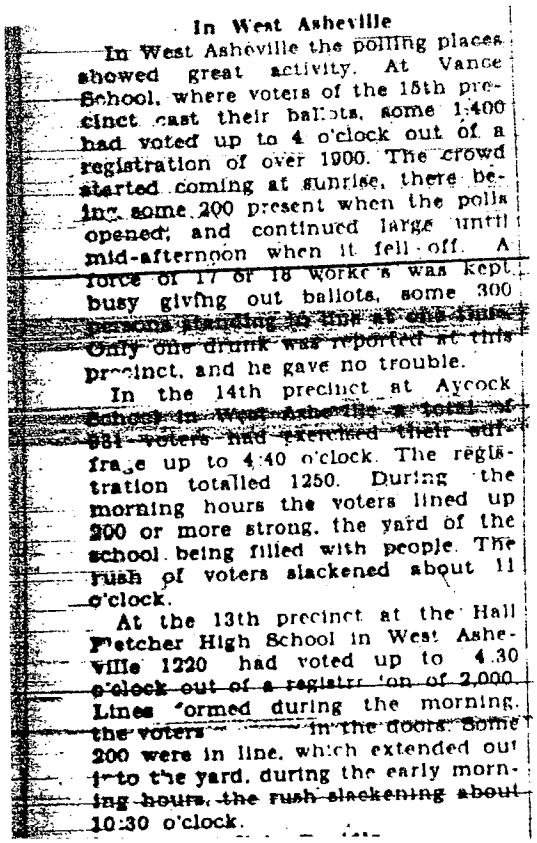

In West Asheville

In West Asheville the polling places showed great activity. At Vance School, where voters of the 15th precinct cast their ballots, some 1,400 had voted up to 4 o'clock out of a registration of over 1900. The crowd started coming at sunrise, there being some 200 present when the polls opened, and continued large until mid-afternoon when it fell off. A force of 17 or 18 workers was kept busy giving out ballots, some 300 persons standing in line at one time. Only one drunk was reported at this precinct, and he gave no trouble.

In the 14th precinct at Aycock School in West Asheville a total of 931 voters had exercised their suffrage up to 4:40 o'clock. The registration totalled 1250. During the morning hours the voters lined up 200 or more strong, the yard of the school being filled with people. The rush of voters slackened about 11 o'clock.

At the 13th precinct at the Hall Fletcher High School in West Asheville 1220 had voted up to 4:30 o'clock out of a registration of 2,000. Lines formed during the morning, the voters [illegible] in the doors. Some 200 were in line, which extended out into the yard, during the early morning hours, the rush slackening about 10:30 o'clock.

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FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 9, 1928

Mayor Roberts Issues Armistice Proclamation

Memorial Service Will Be Held At The Imperial Theater Sunday

Mayor Gallatin Roberts yesterday issued a proclamation calling upon the people of Asheville to join in the celebration of Armistice Day.

A memorial service will be held at the Imperial theater Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, while a general holiday will be observed Monday by the city schools, banks and business.

Mayor Roberts proclamation follows:

"November the Eleventh, ten years ago, "the War drums throbbed no longer, and the battle flags were furled" along the battle fronts in Europe, and millions of people all over the world cried and shouted for joy that the terrible conflict was over.

"Who will ever forget Armistice Day here ten years ago? It was a bleak day in Asheville. There was a cold, sharp, cutting north wind blowing, but that did not dampen the spirit of our people. The War was over, and the Buncombe County boys were coming home, and thousands of our men and women gave vent to their pent-up feelings while others who had sons "over there" who would never return almost collapsed with grief

"Shall we forget those never to be-forgotten days? The answer comes back from our people in thunder tones no. Not only is this true, but our great State and the Congress of the United States each passed laws designating November 11th a holiday for all the people of this State and nation

"Really and truly the shadow of the great war still hangs over the world Life will never be the same to thousands of our people as it was before that devasting war.

"This year Armistice Day falls upon Sunday and a memorial service will be held at the Imperial Theater at four o'clock in memory of all those who fell in that great conflict and all those who rendered service in those trying days. It is fitting that Monday November 12th should be observed as a holiday for all the children in the city schools, and all the inhabitants of Asheville, and I hereby request that all business as far as possible be suspended on the tenth anniversary of the end of the World war, and that the day be observed in a manner befitting what it commemorates.

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead
Who never to himself hath said
"This is my own, my native land."

--GALLATIN ROBERTS"
Mayor."

THE SUNDAY CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE

HAPPY YOUNGSTERS, THEY ARE

This happy group of youngsters compose the music class of Mrs. Dorothy Palat. The picture was taken at her home at 53 Logan Park, West Asheville, where she had given them a party.

The children are, reading from left to right, top row, Selma Coleman, Mrs. Palat, second row, Eva Pinner, Doris Biers, Lucile Aman, Winifred Ralston; third row, Elizabeth Sorrells, Wilma Moore, J. D. Pinner, Cuthbert Palat, Sara Gowan; bottom row, Earline Sorrells, Garth Palat, Thelma Hinckle, Kathleen Kell, Frank Gilreath, Philip Sales. —Photo by Ray Studio.

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SILK HOSIERY MILL LOCATES IN ASHEVILLE

First Unit To Be Started At Once And Completed By March

IS FIRST PLANT TO FOLLOW ENKA

Thorough Investigation By Experienced Men Brought Decision

One of the first of the industries being attracted to Asheville, following the announcement of the erection here of the $10,000,000 Enka rayon plant, is the Asheville Silk Hosiery Company mill, which will be erected on Deaverview road west of the city limits. The plant will employ about [illegible] owners announced that within the year the full force of 1000 in all units may be employed.

Albert Shultz and David Baer, hosiery [illegible] the plant. The initial plans call for a modern brick and steel factory and other equipment, and is expected to be in operation by March 1, 1929. F. Q. Boyer, industrial engineer of the Chamber of Commerce, and Stanley Wright, city engineer, visited the plant site yesterday to secure a report for the commissioners' meeting this morning, when the requests of the new company will be presented and acted upon.

The extension of the city sewer and water mains are the main requisites of the new industry. This plant will occupy a five-acre tract, the deed for which will be given the new owners as soon as the city commissioners have passed on the project, which is expected to be at the commissioners meeting at 9 o'clock this morning at the city hall.

Initial Unit

The initial building will be 56 feet by 154 feet, but the plans call for the extension of this building to its full length of 364 feet by the end of the first year of operation. Following the closing of the deal yesterday morning at the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Shultz and Mr. Baer left the city. The Chamber of Commerce will complete the details of the new industry's plans.

The industrial department of the Chamber of Commerce has been at work on the securing of this plant for the past five months. It was announced yesterday that Mr. Shultz and Mr. Baer were formerly associated with the Dexdale Hosiery Mills of Lansdale, Pa., of which Charles D. Owen, treasurer, and Charles G. Dexter, director of the Beacon Mills of Swannanoa, were directors. Mr. Baer was in the sales organization of the Dexdale Mill.

$200,000 Investment

The initial investment of this new industry in Asheville will be approximately $200,000, but the entire proposed investment of the industry here will be more than $1,000,000. Construction of the new plant will begin as soon as the title to the land has been turned over to the new owners. This is expected to be consummated within the next few days. The heads of the plant will return to the city to supervise the erection of the plant and the installation of the machines which will be used in making full-fashioned silk hosiery.

The heads of this [illegible] experienced mill men and have thoroughly investigated Asheville as an industrial center. Following the lead of the Enka rayon officials, who two months ago selected Asheville as the site for the largest rayon plant in the world, this industry has been announced. Other manufacturing concerns are now investigating the Asheville district for branch or main plant sites.

Favorable climate, ideal living conditions, convenient location, civic and general co-operation, good labor conditions, water and resources, the same attributes of Asheville that brought the Enka plant here, are now attracting others. The Asheville hosiery mill is the first of what is expected to be a chain of smaller plants that will establish here near the Enka plant.

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BIG HOSIERY MILL WILL BE LOCATED HERE

Asheville Silk Hosiery Company Acquires Land For Large Plant.

Ash. Times 11/16/28

The first $200,000 unit of a full fashioned silk hosiery mill, eventually to be twelve times the size of the initial section, will be established at once on the Deaverview road just west of the city limits, it was announced Thursday by the Asheville Chamber of Commerce for the active owners, Albert Shultz and David Bear, Lansdale, Pa.

The new plant will be known as the Asheville Silk Hosiery company and will employ initially, it was estimated from 150 to 300 workers, including both men and women. It is to begin operations by March 1.

A five-acre tract will be occupied by the new industrial enterprise and title to the land will pass as soon as the Asheville city commissioners officially assure the owners of required public service.

This assurance will be a mere matter of course since the commissioners already have agreed unofficially to provide necessary facilities.

Experienced Mill Men

Mr. Shultz and Mr. Baer formerly were associated with the Dexdale Hosiery Mills of Lansdale, Pa. Mr. Shultz was vice president and superintendent of the Dexdale mills and Mr. Baer was connected with the sales department.

Directors of the plant with which the two active owners of the Asheville Silk Hosiery company formerly were connected include Charles D. Owen, treasurer, and Charles O. Dexter, director, of the Beacon Mills, of Swannanoa.

Construction of the new Asheville hosiery mill probably will be started as soon as title to the land is passed to the milling company, it was announced.

Industrial Progress

The Asheville Chamber of Commerce announced Thursday that its industrial department has been in communication with the new industry for five months.

Establishment of the new industry in Asheville means another step in the industrial progress that has begun in the Asheville district.

Less than two months ago the American Enka corporation began construction in Asheville of a $10,000,000 rayon plant which eventually will employ more than 5,000 workers and the Beacon Mills of Swannanoa have just announced a program of extensions which has been started to add fifty percent to their output and fifty percent to the Beacon Mills village.

Initial Investment $200,000

The initial investment of $200,00 for the first unit of the hosiery mills, it was explained Thursday, represents land, building to be constructed, machinery, and working capital.

The same attractions of ideal living conditions, favorable climate, central and convenient location, and stable and adequate labor supply that brought the American Enka corporation's great plant to Asheville, were credited Thursday with having brought about the establishment here of the Asheville Silk Hosiery company's plant.

The investment for the entire plant when other units have been added to the first project may be well over $1,000,000.

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ASHEVILLE

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Distinguished Negro To Lecture Here Dec. 11-12

Prof. S. A. Haynes, distinguished negro journalist, lecturer and philosopher, is to lecture at Wilson's Methodist church, 101 Burton street, West Asheville, Tuesday and Wed- yesterday.

He will discuss the philosophy of Marcus Garvey, founder and president of the universal negro improvement association.

Prof. Haynes has travelled widely in Africa, India, Europe, the West Indies, and Central America studying the negro problem.

Asheville Citizen November 28, 1928

WHO'S WHO AND WHY IN ASHEVILLE

A Times 12/2/28

A CHARGE BROUGHT against many public officials is that they are lacking in scholarship and the more cultured virtues. This cannot be said of Newton M. Anderson, successful candidate for the office of chairman of the Buncombe county commissioners, for Mr. Anderson has had a most successful and lengthy career as an educator.

Mr. Anderson was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1856. In his early youth his family moved to Columbus, Ohio, where Mr. Anderson attended the public schools and later the University of Ohio, where he graduated in 1879. After graduation, Mr. Anderson did post-graduate work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston, and at Johns Hopkins university at Baltimore, specializing in scientific subjects.

After finishing his work at Johns Hopkins, Mr. Anderson became a member of a party which was being sent to Europe by the Bell Telephone company to install telephone systems. Mr. Anderson installed two telephone exchanges in Belgium. However, his heart was set on teaching and upon returning to the United States he became instructor in physics at the University of Ohio, where he remained for two years.

Mr. Anderson then became a teacher in the schools of Cleveland, teaching physics in the Central high school. Having studied manual training at the Massachusetts Institute, he installed classes after the regular school hours, which resulted in the establishment of the Cleveland Manual Training in 1885. He served as principal until 1890, when the school became a part of the public school system.

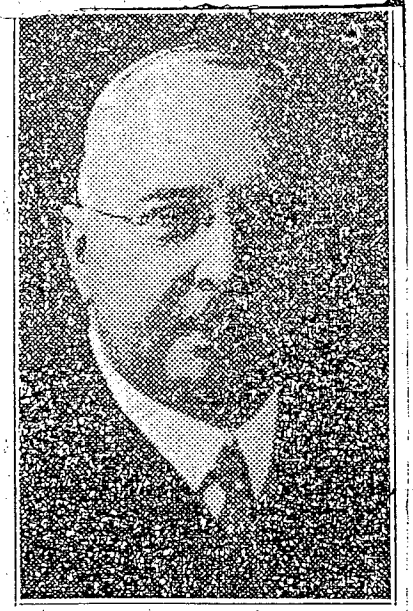
Having become convinced that boys of high school waste much valuable time after school and would be better for supervised play, Mr. Anderson founded at Cleveland the first American University school, or private day school for boys. He was headmaster of the University school from 1890 to 1900, when he came to Asheville and established the Asheville School. He was assisted by Charles A. Mitchell, who had been his assistant at the University school at Cleveland. They have been friends for more than 50 years.

Mr. Anderson continued as head of Asheville School until 1926, when George Jackson became headmaster.

Mr. Anderson is now head of Malvern Hills, Inc., organized to sell home sites of land adjoining the Asheville School property, near West Asheville. He is president of the Civitan club, and vice-president of the Asheville Real Estate Board. Mr. Anderson has been a communicant of Trinity Episcopal church since coming to Asheville.

He was married to Miss Elizabeth Arney Close in Asheville in 1909. Mrs. C. A. Webb and Mrs. W. B. Northup are sisters of Mrs. Anderson. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have one daughter, Miss Elizabeth Arney Anderson, 18 years old, of Asheville.

The Andersons live in Malvern Hills. Mr. Anderson was elected chairman of the county commissioners on the Republican ticket on Nov. 6.



NEWTON M. ANDERSON

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., TUESDAY MORNING,

DECEMBER 18, 1928

Asheville Hosiery Co. Awards Two Contracts

Beeler and company, of Asheville, were yesterday awarded the contract for the foundation and floor work of the plant of the Asheville Hosiery company, which will be erected on the Baker farm at Deaverview, West Asheville.

The steel framework was let to the Truscon Steel company, of Youngstown, Ohio. The first unit of the plant will cost about $300,000. The excavation work for the foundation will begin the latter part of this week. The plant will manufacture silk hosiery for women.

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SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 22, 1928

Miss Rosalie Conn's Class Does Splendid Piece Of Work

Miss Rosalie Conn and her students in the creative English class of the Hall Fletcher junior high school, have done a commendable piece of work in the publication of the Junior Hi Broadcaster, the first issue of which has just come from the press.

During the fall the class printed its school news on mimeographed sheets, but with the co-operation of the Booster's club and the student body it has progressed to such an extent that it is now enabled to issue a four-page newspaper. The paper contains not only the school news, but also has a literary department in which the poems of the students find their way into print.

The staff of the Junior Hi Broadcaster is as follows:

Louis Jones, editor-in-chief; Dortha Morgan, associate editor; Ernestine Briggs, John Bean, Elsie White, Madaline Baumgardner and Alta Krause, assistant editors; James Williams, art editor; Jennie Mae Himes, exchange editor; Margaret Dawson business manager; Neoma Williams, secretary; and Rosalie Conn faculty adviser.

Bruce Emory Research

Head Atkinson Lumber Co.

ED N. ATKINSON

JACK ATKINSON

President and vice president, respectively, of the Atkinson Lumber Company, Inc., successors to Rutherford and Atkinson. The change will be effective January 1.

LUMBER FIRM IS PURCHASED BY ATKINSONS

Stock Of J. W. Rutherford Is Bought By Partners

CHANGE EFFECTIVE ON JANUARY FIRST

Atkinson Lumber Company Is New Name Of The Firm

Purchase of the stock owned by John W. Rutherford in the firm of Rutherford & Atkinson, widely known Asheville dealers in lumber and building materials, and change of the firm name to the Atkinson Lumber Company, Inc., were announced yesterday.

While the stock transfer was made sometime ago, the change of name will not become effective until January 1. Mr. Rutherford's interest in the business was purcased by Ed. N. Atkinson and Jack Atkinson.

Officers of the Atkinson Lumber Company will be: E. N. Atkinson, president; Jack Atkinson, vice-president; Stanley Hall, secretary; and W. B. Cathey, treasurer.

The main office is in the Miles building on Wall street, and yards are maintained at Newbridge and Sulphur Springs.

The company handles all types of lumber and building materials, and has one of the largest businesses of its kind in this section.

It was organized in 1920 under the firm name of Woodard & Atkinson. In 1923, Mr. Rutherford and Mr. Atkinson purchased the interest of J. W. Rutherford and the name was changed to Rutherford & Atkinson.

Ed. N. Atkinson, the president and general manager, has been engaged in the lumber business for the past ten years. He was educated at Washington and Lee university and Asheville schools.

Jack Atkinson has been in the business for six years, becoming a partner in the firm several years ago. He was educated at North Carolina State college.

They are the eldest sons of E. B. Atkinson, prominent Asheville business man. They were born in this city, and have resided here most of their lives.

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NEWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE

Citizen Bureau, 729½ Haywood Road

Telephone 1602

Calvary Baptist Church Formed January 3, 1909

First Pastor Was Called Twenty Years Ago Yesterday

Sunday afternoon, January 3, 1909, a group of Asheville and West Asheville Baptists held a meeting in the Odd Fellows hall on Haywood road, and during this meeting Calvary Baptist church was organized with a charter membership of 68.

January 3, 1929 the church celebrated its 20th birthday, and 20 years ago yesterday the Rev. R. P. Walker, of Lenoir, was called to West Asheville as its first pastor.

Among those attending the organization meeting was the Rev. J. B. Grice, who will end his 11th year as pastor of the church May 1. The Rev. Mr. Grice had not entered the ministry at that time, but many West Asheville residents say that he was "a good Sunday school worker and an active church man.

Grows And Prospers

In discussing the church and its growth yesterday the pastor said: "I have lived and worked in West Asheville for many years, and since its organization I have been associated with Calvary church. Our church has grown and prospered and I consider the co-operation and energy of our people as one of the most important factors of our success."

The history of Calvary church as written by Mrs. W. E. Logan, of 124 Logan avenue, the first president of the Woman's Missionary Union, is very interesting. Mrs. Logan yesterday gave this history to The Citizen which is as follows:

According to the church records the people of the community met in the Odd Fellows hall of Sulphur Springs lodge in 1908 for the purpose of organizing a Sunday school under the auspices of the West End Baptist church. The moderator was the Rev. Mr. Grice, who was then president of West End Sunday school, and St. Clair Knight was elected superintendent. C. M. Lineberry was the first secretary and eight classes were formed with the following teachers: Annie L. Logan, Mrs. C. M. Lineberry, Mrs. S. D. Patterson, Mrs. George H. Starnes, Mrs. St. Clair Knight, Mrs. Sumner, J. M. Patterson and the Rev. J. B. Grice.

The meeting was attended by 122 West Asheville and Asheville men, women and children and the Sunday school organization has since continued, with a large increase in classes, departments, teachers and attendance.

At the death of Mr. Knight, J. L. Welch was elected, after which came B. B. Jones, A. D. Dayes, H. A. Brown, W. E. Howland, M. W. Hamrick and W. S. Johnson, the present superintendent.

Training School

The first training school was held while Mr. Dayes was superintendent with Arthur Flake as instructor. This school was in session for one week and gave a training course for Sunday school teachers and B. Y. P. U. workers.

The Woman's Missionary Society was organized March 6, 1908 with 11 members. The present membership is close to 90. The presidents, in order of election have been, Mrs. W. E. Logan, Mrs. B. B. Jones, Mrs. J. M. Ledford, Mrs. E. B. Sullivan, Mrs. W. A. Bell and the present president, Mrs. M. A. Dumas.

The Sunday school grew with the missionary society and today has an enrollment of 1140, including the home and cradle roll departments.

In 1908 a revival meeting was held in the Odd Fellows hall by the Rev. R. N. Sims. The meeting was very successful, and from this tentative organization work the first meeting was held January 3, 1909 and the church organized.

Ministers taking part in the first meeting were the Rev. J. C. Owens, the Rev. Mr. O'Neal, pastor of West End church, and Dr. A. E. Brown. The first board of deacons was composed of W. E. Logan, H. A. Brown, J. L. Welch and C. M. Lineberry. Committees were appointed as follows: Building, B. B. Jones, A. E. Brown, G. D. Carter, U. S. Meadows and Ernest Hayes; subscription committee, H. A. Brown, Mrs. W. E. Logan, George H. Starnes, Mrs. St. Clair Knight, and Miss Mabel Morgan.

The committees were appointed January 26, 1909 and at the same time a board of trustees was elected, composed of B. B. Jones, J. L. Welch, W. E. Logan, George H. Starnes and G. D. Carter.

The old church located on Hanover street, near the corner of Haywood road, was named Calvary church, the first service in the building was held the first Sunday in July, 1909.

The Rev. Mr. Prescott served at first as a supply pastor and was later succeeded by the Rev. R. P. Walker. The first revival meeting was held by the Rev. William Vines, then pastor of First Baptist church, of Asheville.

The B. Y. P. U. was organized during the Rev. Mr. Walker's pastorate, who served for two years. The work has grown into 12 unions under the direction of J. L. Lawrence.

Pastors following the Rev. Mr. Walker in order of service were the Rev. Mr. Cross, Dr. M. M. Wamboldt, the Rev. Mr. Williams, Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, the Rev. Mr. Bowman, the Rev. J. J. Gentry and the Rev. Mr Grice, who was elected in 1918.

Later the church grew and additional rooms were added to the building to provide for Sunday school and services, and finally the Odd Fellows hall called into service again and two Sunday school classes met there each Sunday. During the pastorate of the Rev. Mr. Gentry the site of the new church on Haywood road was selected, and a tent meeting held there by the Rev. T. T. Martin.

Monday, December 5, 1921 the first shovel of dirt on the new church site was turned by H. A. Brown, senior deacon. The principal addresses at the service which was largely attended was delivered by the Rev. Dr. R. J. Bateman, pastor of the First Baptist church of Asheville. The corner stone was laid May 27, 1925. Speakers at the service included the Rev. Mr. Grice, the Rev. Dr. R. J. Bateman, Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, a former pastor, the Rev. H. S. Howard, pastor of French Broad Avenue Baptist church, Dr. W. H. Fitzgerald, pastor of Biltmore Baptist church, and Dr. R. O. Arbuckle, pastor of West End Baptist church.

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January 20, 1929

HALL FLETCHER'S CAMPUS HAS LONE TALL OAK TREE

On a miniature plateau next to the Hall Fletcher junior high school ball field rises a tall oak tree. It is the only tree on or near the campus. It holds a place of honor around the school, receiving words of devotion on rostrum, in class room, and on the school ground.

W. L. Brooker, superintendent of the city schools, made several trips to the Hall Fletcher school site when masons and carpenters were at work erecting the building. He left his busy office time and again to see that every precaution was being taken to save the lone oak tree. At first a little cement wall was built around its base, underground. Later a fence, two feet from the trunk, was added.

The oak tree promises to play an important part in Hall Fletcher life.

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February 10, 1929

CHICKEN HUNT ON HAYWOOD ROAD IS THRILLING EVENT

Hunting chickens on Haywood Road.

This sounds tame but for a while yesterday afternoon it was an exciting and interesting spectacle. A large chicken truck was racing across the French Broad bridge when one of its rear doors came open and chickens began taking the air.

The truck sped on up the hill and the chickens continued to come out the rear in a steady stream. Autoists stopped and began chasing the chickens. A number were caught and carried to various cars, motorcycles and trucks. For a time there was a traffic jam at the bridge. The truck never stopped and all the way up the hill there were spectators of the chicken chase.

NIGHT SCHOOLS MAKE PROGRESS

Aycock And Pine Grove Institutions Are Well Attended

The night schools which are being held at the Aycock grammar school and Pine Grove church, West Asheville, are meeting with much success with a large attendance, workers announced yesterday.

The Aycock school opened early this month while the Pine Grove school opened a few weeks ago. The Aycock classes meet Tuesday and Friday nights of each week with Mrs. J. M. Day, Mrs. J. C. Duncan and Miss Bonnie Whitaker in charge. The former school meets on Monday and Thursday nights of each week under the supervision of Mrs. Day and Mrs. F. T. Datheridge.

One of the newest night schools in the city, the Pine Grove school is reported to have a large attendance and is being conducted on a co-operative basis between the faculty and the community.

H. C. Jenkins is president of the Aycock school with all work under the direction of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Morris, county supervisor of elementary schools.

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Junior Music Club-
Membership Grows

The membership of the Junior Music Club, of West Asheville, has grown from eight to eighty members since its organization sometime ago, officers have stated. The club was formed by Mrs. A. X. Blanchard so as to give the children of the community who were interested in music study an organization of their own.

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CITIZEN BUREAU ESTABLISHED IN WEST ASHEVILLE

west asheville page citizen bure

In order better to serve its subscribers residing in West Asheville, The Asheville Citizen has established a news bureau at 729 1-2 Haywood Road. This bureau will be open daily and will be in charge of a member of The Citizen's news staff. Persons wishing to communicate with the West Asheville bureau by telephone may do so by calling 1602. Those wishing to leave news items with the bureau are invited to call in person to The Citizen's West Asheville office.

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West Asheville Merchants Organized With Thirteen

Association Grew And Is Now Community Progress Asset

By GLENN W. NAVES

Early in January, 1926, O. F. Stradley, West Asheville businessman, gathered twelve men with him in his storeroom for a brief conference, and during that conference, the West Asheville Merchants Association, was organized with a charter membership of 13 members. Today, the organization has grown to 60 members, representing the leading business concerns of West Asheville, and is recognized as one of the community's most valuable assets. Business relations have been established along more progressive lines; co-operation between the merchants and their customers has become well organized; the community business has grown and expanded; new business enterprises have located in town, and through all this progressive advancement the organization has continued to function as a mutual benefit proposition for merchant and customer, as was intended when tentative plans were discussed and formulated at the small storeroom gathering on that winter day in 1926.

First Officers

The first officers of the association were J. R. Mills, president; O. J. Judd, vice president, and V. F. Brown, secretary. Mr. Mills, who was one of West Asheville's best known businessmen, died about two years ago, and was succeeded by the present president, John May, proprietor of May's city market. At each annual election of officers both Mr. Judd, who is associated with the Snyder-Warlick Furniture company, and Mr. Brown have been re-elected, and their efforts in behalf of the association have often met with the commendation of the membership, it is said. Offices are maintained over the West Asheville Bank building where the association meets the first Tuesday night in each month.

Credit Rating Drive

Among the latest activities of the association is a credit rating drive now underway. Plans for the drive have been worked out, the officials have announced, and at the conclusion of the preliminary work now underway, accumulated data on the merchants and customers of West Asheville will be published in a credit rating book. All customers who with established and maintained unquestionable credit connections will be rated in the book as A-1 customers, Mr. Brown said, while customers who pay on a thirty to sixty day basis will be given a good separate rating. Credit ratings will be fair and impartial, the association has announced, and the movement is intended as a mutual benefit proposition for both business concerns and customers. This is in accordance with the policy of all state merchants associations, Mr. Brown said, and will serve to give customers and merchants substantial credit connections, thus eliminating friction and any difficulties tending to discourage progressive business.

The West Asheville association is affiliated with the Asheville Merchants association, and all having first class credit connections will be eligible to credit connections with any Asheville or West Asheville business concern holding membership in either association. This will also tend to establish better credit connections between local firms and outside wholesale and jobber concerns, Mr. Brown pointed out, since the latter will only have to refer to the rating book to determine the reliability of membership concerns, eliminating delay and inconvenience in the transaction of business. Credit customers of West Asheville concerns who wish to establish an A-1 rating will be notified and allowed from four to five weeks in which to arrange for such rating.

Membership Firms

The sixty members of the association announced yesterday by the secretary are Sterchi Brothers company; Webb Motor company; Universal Motor company; Bank of West Asheville; Biltmore Coal company; Asheville Bakery; Middlemount Gardens; Philco Battery company; Ebbs Brothers company; Central Bank and Trust company; Asheville Ice company; Folsom Transfer company; J. A. Baker Packing company; Rhoads Dairy; Carolina Power and Light company; The Blanket Shop; Boswell Coal company; Barker's department store; Ingle Grocery company; Mutual Coal company; Roberts Grocery company; Snyder-Warlick Furniture company; Woody Brothers Bakery; West Asheville Furniture company; Teague's Market; Logan Brothers garage; Cut Rate Sign Shop; Southern Fish and Grocery company; Ideal Pain company; Dr. J. L. Spaulding; W. A. Wilson Plumbing company; Atkins Lumber company; Reliance Coal company; Beaman Lumber company; French Broad Laundry; L. F. Grant Grocery company; Union Transfer company; Carolina Creamery; C. F. Pinkston Grocery company; Holland Furnace company; J. V. Parker and company; West Asheville Hardware company; Grimm's Garage; Horney Heights Grocery company; J. A. Davis and Son; Dr. W. F. Russell; Palace Cleaners; Dr. A. R. R. Davies, dentist; G. R. Bennett, grocer; Grand View Dairy; Bennett's Cleaners; Smathers Coal company; Olive's Store; Campbell-Cox company; M. A. Ingle and company; Sutton-Osborne company; Twiford's Shoe Store; and Bedford Market.

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Miss Wilder Opens New Music Studio

Miss Mary E. Wilder has announced the oepning of a piano and music studio at 723 Haywood road, West Asheville. Miss Wilder will specialize in piano lessons, with special attention to theoretical and ear training. She studied under Charles G. Vardell, Jr., dean of the music department of Salem college, who is a composer, organist and teacher of national recognition.

Asheville Citizen February 19, 1929

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1929

LADY LUCK HUGS NEGRO AS TRAIN HITS HIS TRUCK

Arthur Fuller, negro driver of a local transfer truck loaded with several hundred sticks of dynamite, had an unknown passenger riding in his truck Tuesday morning in the person of Dame Fortune.

As Fuller approached the Sulphur Springs crossing of the Southern Railway the rear of his truck was struck by the engine of a freight train scattering the dynamite over the right of way the railroad. Other than a few bruises, the driver escaped unhurt.

Some time was required by section hands to gather up the unexploded sticks of the explosive. The dynamite was en route to Canton.

Had the dynamite exploded several lives would have probably been lost as the train crew of the freight was riding on the engine and several men were gathered near the crossing at the time of the accident.

THE WEATHER
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HUGE 4 MILE TELEPHONE CABLE SYSTEM FINISHED

LINKS WEST ASHEVILLE WITH PHONE OFFICE HERE

1,800 Wires Are Used By Southern Bell In The Big Project

TOTAL OUTLAY IS MORE THAN $125,000

Final Hookup Is Made Manager R. N. Pfaff Announces

R. N. Pfaff, district manager of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company, Incorporated, of Asheville, yesterday announced the completion of a huge telephone cable system connecting the main Asheville office with every section of West Asheville, and carrying two private branch lines to the American Enka corporation and H. K. Ferguson Construction company offices at the Enka plant site.

The cable, over four miels in length and carrying 900-pair wires, or 1,800 separate wires, cost over $125,000 and is the largest type of cable system installed so far by the Southern Bell company, Mr. Pfaff stated. A few systems carrying 900 pairs have been constructed by the company, the manager said, but none have ever carried over that number of pair wires. The cable is among the largest in the country, and represents a gigantic expansion of the service program underway by the company, it was said.

Work on the cable began last summer and final hook ups were completed this week. The system is connected with the main Asheville exchange office and extends to the extreme western city limits of West Asheville. Entering the West section of Asheville with 900 pairs of wires the cable diminishes in size as wires branch off to patrons, until the last pair wires connect with homes and office buildings, at the end of the system.

Enka On Line

Connecting with the cable system are two private lines, one to the American Enka office and the other to the H. K. Ferguson Construction company offices. The latter company has an exchange installed by the Southern Bell company which is connected to approximately thirty stations, with eight wires running to the Asheville exchange switchboard system. The telephone company has completed preparations to furnish adequate service in the future to all of West Asheville and the Enka section regardless of re-

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HUGE TELEPHONE CABLE INSTALLED

1,800 Wires Are Used By Southern Bell In The Big Project

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quirements in service and volume of expansion, it was said.

With the Enka plant site seven miles from Pack Square by air line, the lines extending there are over 7 miles long, it was pointed out, since they begin at the main office on Patton avenue.

Expansion Necessary

The enlargement of the system was necessitated, Mr. Pfaff stated, by the growth of West Asheville which resulted in a congestion of the telephone service. Individual lines are now available to all party line subscribers and all needs of West Asheville can be taken care of at once, it was said.

"In installing this cable and its branch wires we had in mind the fact that West Asheville has seen a great expansion in recent years and will continue to grow. In the future we must be able to serve an increasing population and business interests there, and with the installation of our new system we are able to do so," Mr. Pfaff stated.

West Asheville has no telephone exchange, since one is unnecessary, with the installation of the cable system connecting all private and party telephones in that section of Asheville with the main Asheville exchange. Prior to the installation of the new system a connecting line handled calls over the Asheville switchboard.

Bruce Emory Research

NIGHT SCHOOL IS HELD AT AYCOCK

Two Sessions Weekly; Faculty Composed Of 3 Teachers

Night school is 36 W Asheville P

The night school which opened at Aycock grammar school, West Asheville, several weeks ago under the supervision of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Morriss, county supervisor of elemetary schools, is recording a good attendance, it was announced yesterday. Classes are held from 7 to 9 o'clock on Tuesday and Friday nights, with instruction in reading, spelling, mathematics and other subjects.

The faculty is composed of Mrs. J. C. Duncan, Mrs. J. M. Day and Miss Vonnie Whitaker, who assumed charge at the opening of the school February 8.

A number of other night schools were opened in various sections of Asheville along with the Aycock school, and all are meeting with much success, reports indicate.

Asheville Citizen February 21, 1929

Youngsters Pack Office In Quest Of Club Badges

The "champeen" gathering of its kind in history occurred in West Asheville yesterday afternoon when several hundred boys and girls crowded into The Citizen Bureau to get their Just Kids Safety Club badges.

The distribution of badges was announced to begin at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, but 2 o'clock saw the forming of the nucleus of a juvenile group at the office which in less than two hours grew into a cheering crowd of over 400 youngsters who argued and stressed the importance of Policeman Branner, Fatso Dolan, Mush Stebbins, Nicodemus O'Malley and the other characters of the "Just Kids" comic feature.

Policeman Branner and Nicodemus O'Malley were the heroes of the day, the distribution of badges revealed. Mush Stebbins came next, followed by Fatso Dolan. All boys and girls admire policemen, and Mister Branner was not an exception yesterday. Many little girls expressed in no uncertain terms their admiration of Master O'Malley, thus giving added strength to the often expressed statement of Uncle that "I just can't underatand his powef ovef wimmin."

Pop and Mom were very popular, as were Marjorie Jones, Peanut and the others. Several youngsters wanted a badge "with a picture of the little Jap who runs 'round with Mush," while others wanted to know if portraits of the little baby who does his stuff with Grandpop were available.

Many parents came with their children and new members joined up with the "Just Kids."

A large table was covered and heaped with membership blanks taken from The Citizen for Tuesday and Wednesday, which were turned in by the club members.

The crowd was so large that The Citizen representative had to enlist outside assistance, so Dr. A. R. R. Davies, well known West Asheville dentist, traded badges for membership blanks with hundreds of the boys and girls, thus proving that not all children are afraid of dentists. Dr. Davies thinks that the club is a grand idea for the youngsters and they all agree with him.

Asheville Citizen March 2, 1929

MEMBERSHIP BLANK
JUST KIDS SAFETY CLUB

I want to join the Just Kids Safety Club and take part in the Safety Club movie.

I promise to be careful and to always look up and down before crossing the street.

Name .....

Age .....

Address .....

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(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

NOTE: Membership is open to all boys and girls 14 years of age or under. This blank must be signed by parent or guardian before a membership button can be awarded.

Enka Requests Survey Of West Asheville Property

Local Man To Compile Data On Rental Situation

J. L. Martin, West Asheville real estate dealer, yesterday announced the receipt of a letter from the American Enka corporation requesting a check up on all rental property in West Asheville.

Mr. Martin will begin collecting all available data Monday morning, he stated, and when the survey has been completed will turn the information over to Enka officials.

Although the letter did not state the reasons why the corporation wishes the information, West Asheville realty men believe that this is a part of preparation to secure homes for employes of the Hominy valley plant when it begins operations.

"I do not believe that there are over 200 vacant houses in West Asheville which can be listed in the rental class," Mr. Martin said. "Of course, there are others, but their owners do not care to rent them."

Preliminary Check

Late yesterday afternoon Mr. Martin made a preliminary survey of available residences in West Asheville, and gave the following information to The Citizen: West Asheville Realty company, 14 houses; W. E. Shuford, Asheville, seven houses; R. A. Failing, West Asheville, 14 houses; Stepp and Harper, 14 houses; W. S. Harrison Realty company, 10 houses; Arthur Patton, West Asheville, seven houses, a total of 66. There are close to 75 available vacant houses in West Asheville which are owned by individuals, Mr. Martin said; and it is hardly probable that there are more than 200 available in the entire section at present.

The survey will be continued, beginning Monday, Mr. Martin said, and an effort will be made to list every vacant house in West Asheville and compile the data into a detailed report for the Enka corporation.

Homes Needed

Construction work on 89 homes to be located in the Enka village will begin at an early date, officials of the corporation have announced. The contract was awarded several days ago to the Townsend Lumber company, of Anderson, S. C., and officials of the company are now here preparing to begin work.

These homes will be used by Enka officials and employes and it is probable that on their completion others will be constructed. The Enka village is to be laid out with roads, streets and grounds planned by competent landscape and architectural designers, and each home will vary in design and construction.

These homes, however, will not be adequate to supply the demand and it is believed that the purpose of the survey is to secure homes for those who will come to this section when the plant opens.

Mr. Martin is a well known real estate man, having engaged in this business for 22 years. He recently disposed of his property at 643 Haywood road to R. A. Failing, of Delaware, and has opened an office at 577 Haywood road.

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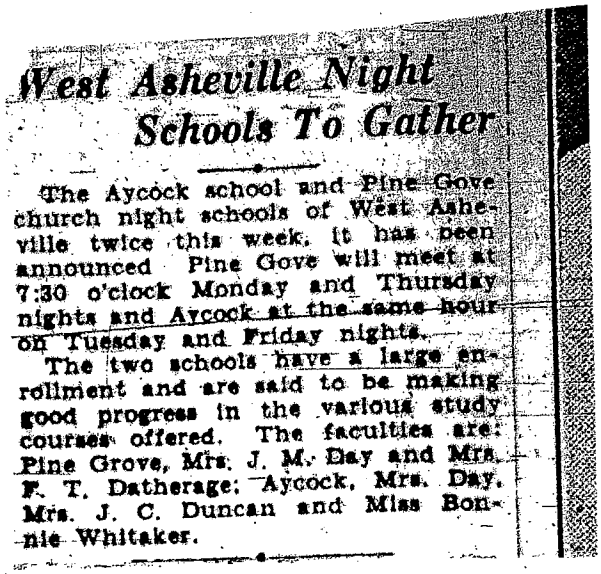

West Asheville Night Schools To Gather

The Aycock school and Pine Gove church night schools of West Asheville twice this week, it has been announced Pine Gove will meet at 7:30 o'clock Monday and Thursday nights and Aycock at the same hour on Tuesday and Friday nights.

The two schools have a large enrollment and are said to be making good progress in the various study courses offered. The faculties are: Pine Grove, Mrs. J. M. Day and Mrs. F. T. Datherage; Aycock, Mrs. Day, Mrs. J. C. Duncan and Miss Bonnie Whitaker.

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SCHOOL TO HONOR OLD FRIEND WITH MEMORIAL EVENT

Plans are being made for a memorial service in honor of the late A. E. Lance, aged caretaker of Eugene Rankin School, West Asheville, who died several weeks ago, it was announced yesterday. A program is being planned for the service which is to be held at a date to be announced later, and a tree will be planted on the school grounds in memory of Mr. Lance.

Mr. Lance had served as janitor at the school since its completion four years ago, and was known as the friend of every child there. After his death the school flag was flown at half mast, and many of the teachers and students attended the funeral.

Asheville Citizen March 5, 1929

Proposed Highway Move Greatly Opposed, Report

Any proposed changes in State Highway No. 10 which would tend to remove traffic from Haywood road or any section of West Asheville will meet with bitter opposition in that community, a survey made yesterday afternoon, revealed.

A recommendation that the section of the Enka road which intersects with Haywood road in the extreme western section of West Asheville be changed is to be considered by the West Asheville Club at its next meeting Thursday night, March 14. The matter was discussed at the last meeting of the club, and speeches made by Thomas J. Harkins, United States district attorney, and Newton M. Anderson, chairman of the Buncombe county commissioners. Mr. Harkins expressed himself as being opposed to the proposed change in the route, while Mr. Anderson stated that he did not care to commit himself and the board on the question until it has been given further consideration.

No proposal providing for a change has yet been made to the commissioners, it is said, and in his address Mr. Anderson stated that unless the majority of West Asheville citizens desired a change none would be made.

The proposed change does not include the removal of the highway route entirely from Haywood road, it has been pointed out, but only covers a rerouting of the Enka road section. This change would necessarily mean that bus and important traffic lines would be taken from a route favorable to the best interests of West Asheville and would prove detrimental to the prosperity of the community, citizens stated yesterday.

The club has not yet announced any decision with reference to the matter, since their consideration is pending. However, the public improvement committee at a meeting held a few days prior to the last meeting, went on record as being opposed to any change, it was stated yesterday.

James G. Stikeleather, 9th district Highway Commissioner, will speak on the proposed change at the next meeting of the club.

Asheville Citizen March 6, 1929

SIDEWALK ASKED FOR IN PETITION

Resolutions Of West Asheville Club Are Drafted

Resolutions requesting that a sidewalk be constructed from the French Broad river bridge towards West Asheville have been drafted by the public improvements committee of the West Asheville Club and forwarded to the Buncombe County Commissioners, it was stated yesterday.

The proposed sidewalk would begin at the Smith bridge over which the street car line to West Asheville passes and would continue up Logan Hill to a point in close proximity to where Haywod road turns due west.

The necessity of such a sidewalk for the convenience of the public, especially school children, was set forth in the resolutions, and the board requested to take favorable action as soon as possible. The commissioners are expected to give the petition their early consideration, it was said.

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Chief Messer

Chief W. R. Messer, of the city police department, who has promised the cooperation of the police force in the Safety Club program.

POLICE CHIEF IS FOR SAFETY CLUB

These Methods Should Be Taught To All, Officer Says

"The Safety Club is a wonderful thing for boys and girls and this movement has the hearty co-operation of the city police department," Chief of Police W. R. Messer stated last night.

"I do not think that The Citizen could do anything better nor of greater benefit to the public, especially the children, than to teach them the importance of being careful and avoiding accidents and loss of life," the police chief remarked while discussing the Safety club with a Citizen reporter.

"The safety of the people should be taken care of through teaching and not through prosecution, and the more boys and girls who with their parents keep in mind the necessity of always being careful, the less accidents we are going to have. Again I pledge the co-operation of the police department in every possible way."

Boys and girls, such a statement from a "genuwine" police chief, who is just as fond of little folks as Policeman Branner is of Mush, Fatso and the others, should be taken seriously. More boys and girls should be careful to avoid accidents, and it is through the Safety club and the moving picture that The Citizen hopes to accomplish this.

Don't forget after you have joined the Just Kids Safety club that you have promised to "always be careful" and to "look up and down before crossing the street."

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671 West Asheville Boys And Girls "Are Careful"

Happy Youngsters Are Enthused With The Safety Club

Folks, meet the "champeen" organized group to be found anywhere in Asheville.

A total of 671 West Asheville boys and girls have promised to "always be careful" and to "look up and down before crossing the street."

Yesterday 86 youngsters enrolled while many others came to The Citizen bureau to get their badges. Piled high on a desk and always on the increase a huge collection of membership blanks taken from The Citizen gave proof of the great popularity of the club with the joyous juveniles who Wednesday and yesterday afternoon crowded into the office to join up. Many boys and girls who have listed their names have not yet called for their badges, and many more are still joining.

Many parents who viewed the throngs of children about the office during the past two days expressed surprise that so many future citizens are now residing in the community while many more praised the club and the benefits the safety idea is bringing to the youngsters.

Members enrolling yesterday were Clarence Chandler, Bobby James Marylorne Hall, Marjorine Lyday, Mary Frances Lyda, Bruce Fisher, Betty Lee and Kathleen Andrews, James Williams, Georgia Clancey, Ruby Carland, Nancy May, Helen and Mark Gooley, Tom Watkins, Charles Watkins, Frances Jones, Richard Starkey, Thomas Johnson, Jr., Catherine Sprinkles, Jack Ev[illegible]s, Clyde Ray Cancel, Jane Radcliffe, Richard, Pat and Jane Hamlin, Garf C. Palat, Cuthbert Palat, Genevieve Sent, Ethel Bates, Homer Cagle, Celmar Cagle, Margaret Cagle, Weaver Penland, Sam Gordon, George E. Davis, Raymond Glenn, Bobby Jackson, Bessie and Robert McCulloh, Frieda May Head, Wylma Bryson, George Denny Lee and Alfred Bryson, Mabel and Hilda Mutton, Denver Re[illegible]ond, Thornman Head, Roy Rhymer, Nellie and James Sluder, Donald, Frank and Clyde Roberson, Robert Nahikian, Mildred Smith, Kenneth Hoglen, Garvin Hoglen, Betty Coon, Herbert Johnson Lipe, Betty Josephine Worley, Raymond Coll, Junior Swann, Marion King, Charles Bean, Norman Richard Swann, Weldon Chandler, Neil Evans, Peggy Rhinehardt, Cardelia Bagwell, Edith Lee Grice, Bessie Louise Epley, Martha Cauther, Rosebud Steuber, Robert Wolfe, Thelma Smith, Sara Setzer, George Baugh, Mary Lewis Setzer and Carolyn and Witzer Gesner.

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WALTER, WALLACE JOHNSON ENROLL IN SAFETY CLUB

Walter and Wallace Johnson, age 4, the sons of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson of 559 Haywood road, West Asheville, accompanied by their mother, came to The Citizen Bureau yesterday afternoon and proudly announced that they wished to enroll in the Just Kids Safety club.

The two youngsters were dressed exactly alike and both expressed partiality for the same kind of badge. And so Mush Stebbins added two more names to his list of friends.

Walter and Wallace are the "Irish Twins" to enroll in the club from West Asheville.

Youngsters Join Club At West Asheville Office

Hundreds Are Wearing Safety Badges And Being Careful

Hundreds of West Asheville boys and girls have been coming to The Citizen branch office and enrolling in the Just Kids Safety club during the past week and since the badges came Wednesday afternoon, the club has grown in popularity until it has become "reg'lar" thing among youngsters to become a member.

These days joyous juveniles in every section of the community are proudly displaying badges bearing the portraits of Mush Stebbins, Nicodemus O'Malley, Policeman Branner, Marjorie Jones, Pop, Mom, Bagears, Peanut and the other characters in the "Just Kids" comic strip which runs daily in The Citizen.

The large enrollment at The Citizen bureau is sufficient proof that with its other splendid qualities as a community, West Asheville is an ideal place for children, and since the enrollment began, many residents have expressed surprise at the large number of youngsters who live there.

Boys and girls joining yesterday were: Katheryn Neal, Marion Neal, Ethelyn Neal, Leona Parker, Bobby Coon, Wylina Bryson, Alfred Bryson, George Bryson, Denny Lee Bryson, Mable Mutton, Louise King, Grace English, Hilda Mutton, Edwin Wilson, Harold Wilson, France Wilson, Iona Lamb, Robert Lamb, Helen Miller, Phyllis Wilson, Naomia Lamb, R. V. Sellars, James Burnett, Charles F. Fishburne, Nellie Wilson, Mabel Wilson, Bernice Harkins, Eleanor May, M. Elizabeth Burnett, Robin Hunter, George Hunter, Miriam Candler, Eva Mae Candler, Roberta Henner, Raymond Ingle, Billy Cooter, Jack White, Donald Moore, Kenneth Joyner, Tom Ray, Virginia Ray, Albert Johnson, Olgia Reagan, Mrs. A. F. Henrich, Evelyn Henrich, Clare Henrich, Bonnie Metcalf, Thelma Smith, Angelyn Collins, Carter Parham, George Dunn, Jim Collins, Josephine Robinson, J. E. Collins, Milton Leonard, Jr., Lyman Bain, Robert and Satenik Nahikian, Dewey Moore, Roy Ownbey, Arlin Stikeleather, Lucile Pike, Janell Greene, Howard Coman, Homer Greene, Jr., Tom Rymer, Wallace Johnson, James Roberts, Walter Johnson, George Blankenship, Doris Weaver, Patty Wright, Alison S. Brooks, Norman Whitson, Harold Lee Glenn, Mary McConnell, William McConnell, Everett Yake, Mary Anna McRay, Lillian Hudson, David Seymour, Wade Cantrell, Julia Seymour, James Sherlin, Sarah Scott, Clarence Bates, Earle Blakely, Frances Ferrell, Eugena Petal, Scott Ferrell, Anna Hinkle Meadows, George Meadows, Le Roy Demareat, Aurelia Ramsey, Clifton Nicholson, Fred Pape, Clara Everet, Grace Averet, Ralph Dysart, Naomi Williams, Edna Williams, Margaret Elliott, Phillip Seay, Nancy Seay, Morris Seay, William Foster, Edward Lee Coglin, James Jackson, Eugene Wilson, Roy Totherow, Oscar Havener, Mildred Totherow, Billy Brown, Frances Williams, Marjorie Brown, Billy Williams, Elmer Mattern, Cecil Patterson, William Mahrae, Margaret Young, Melvin Black, Mary Frances Kilgo, Jewel Young, Mary C. Duke, Martha Kelly, Bryan Kelly, Jack Painter, Margaret Smith, Lois Lakey, Betty Joe Worley, Florence Watts, Thelma Brown, Carroll Petitt, Edward Geon, Gladys Riddle, Jim Currence, Betty Lee Russell, Dan Judd, Irma Beat, Mary E. Beat, Weldon Chandler, A. Jensen, Jr., M. J. Welch, Helen Louise Matteson, Clara Brinkley, Mary Virginia Egger, Stella Duke, Helen Teague, Lois Miller, Geraldine Alexander, Georgene Beachboard, Elizabeth Hunnicut, Joe Johnson, and Hazel Hampton.

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HOSIERY MILL TO BEGIN WORK SOON

Manufacturing Plant Machinery Is Of Modern Make

The hosiery manufacturing plant of the Asheville Silk Hosiery Mills located on Deaver View Road, near West Asheville, will begin operating within 30 days, it was announced yesterday.

The installation of machinery which began several weeks ago will be completed by that time, it was said, and an employment list compiled. Applications are already being received and indications are that the plant will employ a good sized force on each shift.

The plant is equipped with a number of machines for knitting and other work, all of which are of modern design. These machines are being installed by experts and will be ready for the employes to take over soon.

Construction work on the plant was completed early in February.

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Bruce Emory Research

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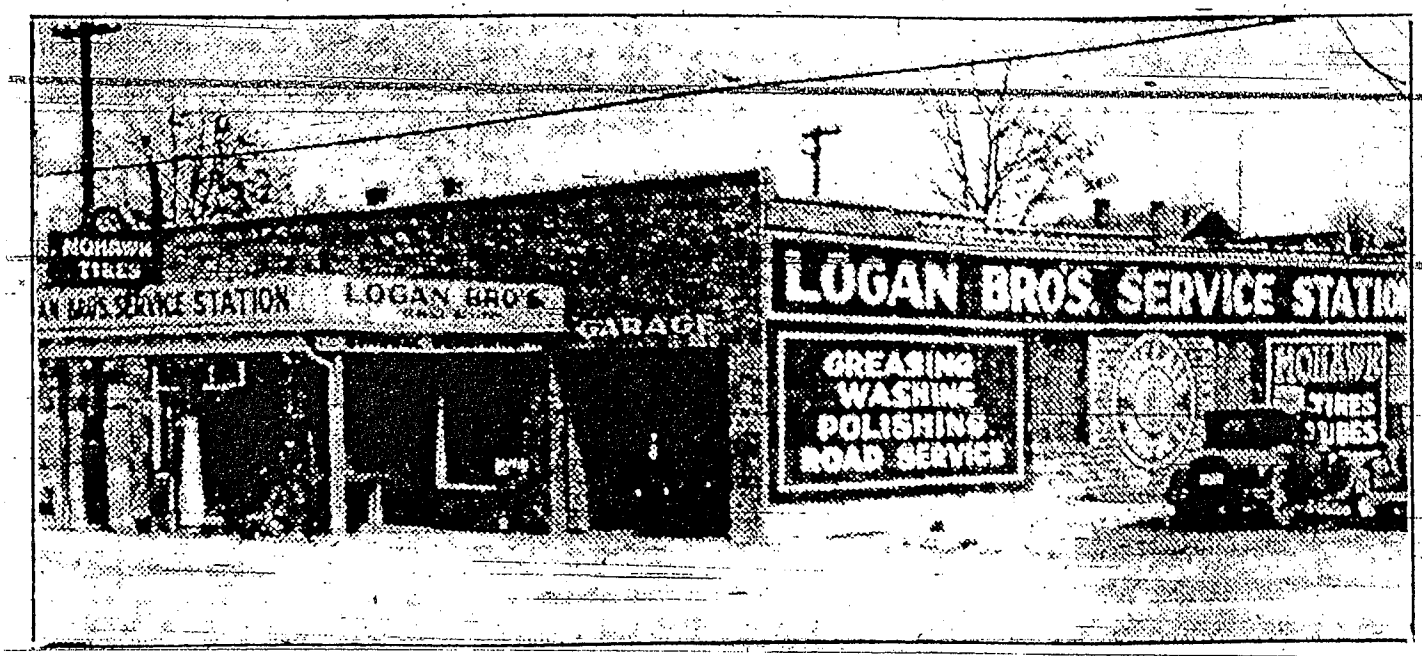
Logan Brothers Open New Service Station



One of the recent service stations opened for the convenience of automobilists in West Asheville is the Logan Brothers station at 202 Haywood Road which is modern in every respect. The firm has recently been appointed distributors for Mohawk tires in Buncombe county. —Staff Photo by Michael

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WEST ASHEVILLE POLICEMAN IS PAL TO LITTLE FOLKS

All boys and girls like policemen, especially when the object of their friendship is a reg'lar, good natured fellow like Policeman W. J. Shumate, of West Asheville, or Policeman Brannor of "Just Kids" comic feature fame.

Officer Shumate has been a member of the city police force for years, and for sometime has been "doing a beat" on Haywood road. He knows practically every boy and girl in West Asheville and among them he says are some of his closest friends.

When the enrollment of members in the Just Kids Safety Club began at The Citizen Bureau on Haywood road, many little boys and girls came to join and get their badges. Several did not know the location of the office, and so to "be careful", as all loyal and true Safety Club members are, they consulted with their pal, Officer Shumate, who at once gave such an important matter his careful consideration.

The other evening after escorting a little girl to the office where she became a member, the officer was talking with a Citizen reporter while on his way home.

"I love little children," he remarked, "and I find that they make better friends than many grown people do. You see, I know many of the youngsters around here and they know me. I have had lots of them to come to me and inquire about where they could join the Safety Club, and I just came along with them."

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Community Life Centers About Organized Groups

West Asheville Folks Combine Efforts In Unity Plan

By GLENN W. NAVES

The people of West Asheville believe in organization.

And, incidentally, they believe in co-operation, and that a combination of these two elements is essential to community growth and progress.

Consequently, they have embodied the two in a number of well organized community groups, each of which is varied in policy and purpose so as to conform with the needs of everybody from the business man down to the boys and girls who are going to school and training themselves to be future citizens.

Beginning several years ago, public spirited citizens of the community grouped themselves in the belief that business, religion, social work, education and community government can best be conducted when each is thoroughly organized. And these organizations have grown with the progressive expansion of that section until each is a valuable asset, something which just as essential in a sense as the streets, schools and churches are, because many of these benefits have been obtained through the efforts of one or more of the organizations.

Club Is Oldest

The largest and oldest of these groups are the West Asheville club, the West Asheville Community club and the West Asheville Merchants Association.

The former was organized in November, 1925 with S. D. Hall as president. Other presidents have been: Don C. Young, 1926, Hugh Sowers, 1927 and H. B. Posey, whose term will expire in November of this year. Both Mr. Posey and Mr. Sowers are bankers, the former being cashier of the Bank of West Asheville and the latter connected with the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company. Mr. Young is representative No. 1 from Buncombe county in the General Assembly. G. G. Morgan was elected the first secretary and after his resignation was succeeded by Bert Starnes, who has served in that capacity since.

The club's membership of around 75, includes business and professional men of every calling—lawyers, bankers, ministers, physicians, merchants, public officials, and even one fire chief, a mayor and a few "politicians." The fire chief is A. L. Duckett, of the Asheville fire department, the mayor, Gallatin Roberts and the "politicians" include Mr. Young, who is also among Asheville's best known attorneys.

The club has since its organization shown a deep interest in the upbuilding and progress of the community, and at present has on schedule a number of plans in that direction.

Community Club

Shortly after the West Asheville club was formed the ladies of the community decided that they should also have a similar organization so the West Asheville Community club was formed.

The club has its musical and literary de[illegible] which have separate meetings and give programs in which the members participate. One of the most popular of these features is the monthly musical program, usually held at the home of a member. Local talent is used and a visiting artist entertains with vocal or instrumental numbers, or perhaps lectures on some interesting phase of music study. Each month the program is planned under the supervision of a selected member and is arranged so as to provide variety and an opportunity for each member to exercise their talent.

In many other ways the club takes an active part in the social, and church and educational life of the community, and has a large and active membership, many of whom are charter members.

Merchants Group

The West Asheville Merchants Association was organized in January, 1926 with a charter membership of 13 business men. The organization has since grown to 60 members, including practically every business concern in the community.

In accordance with tentative plans this organization has continued to function as a mutual benefit group for business men and citizens and has accomplished much in the expansion of the business interests of West Asheville.

J. R. Mills, who died about two years ago, was the first president. Other officers elected at the initial meeting who are still serving are O. J. Judd, vice president and V. F. Brown, secretary. John May succeeded Mr. Mills as president.

Other Organizations

Other groups pprovide the essential organization element for the people of the comunity.

Young people's organizations include two troops of the Boy Scouts of America; the Junior Music club; the Business Girls' Circle; the Young Men of the Presbyterian church, and others.

One of the Scout troops has been organized at the Methodist church and is sponsored by the pastor, the Rev. J. S. Hiatt, and others, Troop 5 of the Presbyterian church is under the leadership of Jimmy Haley, patrol leader and F. Bonnotte, Scoutmaster.

The Junior Music club was organized by Mrs. A. X. Blanchard and has since grown from eight to eighty members. The group was formed so as to give the children of the community with musical talent an opportunity to benefit from study and contact with each other, and to maintain their interest in music. The club is known as one of the most active in West Asheville.

Other organizations are the Calvary Baptist church orchestra and male [illegible] the Junior choir of the Methodist church; Business Girls' Circle, Woman's Auxiliary, Men of the Church and Young Men of the Church, of the Presbyterian church, the Woman's Missionary groups of the community churches, the B. Y. P. U., Epworth League and Christian Endeavor organizations, the Mitchell Avenue Home club, the Friendship club, Girls' Service League, Association of Hall Fletcher, Aycock, Eugene Rankin, and Vance schools, the Sunday school groups and others.

Fraternal organizations include the West Asheville chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Locke Craig Council, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Red Men, Moose, Odd Fellows and the A. F. and A. M. Masonic

841 Safety Club Blanks Filed At Citizen Bureau

West Asheville Close To 1,000 Total In Membership List

A check-up late Saturday night revealed that 841 West Asheville boys and girls have presented membership blanks at The Citizen Bureau office, giving that community an enrollment of close to 1,000 in the Just Kids Safety Club.

The total membership of the club is close to 2,000, with the number constantly on the increase.

New members are Charles Fishburne, Charles Peterson, Joe Riddle, Marvin Styles, Gladys Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson, Bill Barringer, Billie Champion, Henry Rox, Joe Peebles, Thomas Jones, Eugene Peebles, Hugh Riddle, George Jones, Elizabeth Howell, Hobart McFalls, Jr., W. B. McCulloch, Frances Henderson, Nannie Revis, Ben Echerd, Bonnie Rhymer, Bobby Rhymer, Louise McKinney, John McKinney, Samuel B. Crook, Edward McKinney, Elizabeth Felder, James Bennett, Martha Bennett, Robert Bennett, Roger De Loach, Lawrence Rice, Josephine Brain, Paul Michael, Elva Alexander, Sara Graham, Margaret Graham, Bonnie Duke, Charles Bell, Jack Baumberger, Billie Horton, Pauline Alexander, Joe Ownbey, Tom Wells, Doris Wilson, Edna Matteson, Beatrice Michael, John Hamilton, Sherman Fortner, Helen Case, Oscar Bigg, Sammie Gordon, Charles McCurry, Howard Miller, Hugh Blank, Betty Blankenship, Francis Williams, Jack Horton, Teddie Burgess, Harold Baumberger, Robert B. Baumberger, Harold Hyatt, Robert Hyatt, Faye Hyatt, Ruth Hyatt, Rebecca Keever, Jack Lance, Mary Lance, Ralph Black, J. W. Gallman, Frances Creasman, Irene Case, Richard Culberson, Jean McDowell, Dorothy McDowel, Miriam McDowell, Helen Ballard, Sarah Isabel Gatlin, Jack Beane, Amy Culberson, Frieda Culberson, Mary Britt, Clyde Long, Marjorie Blake, Mack Byrd, Dorothy Baine, Sarah Siebold, Batty Stewart, Fenton S. Cunningham, Harold Stewart, Ed Killian, Franklin Case, Dora Lance, Amy Morris, Helen Hyer, Billie Maria Wall, Juanita McCurry, Evelyn McCurry, Lee Hyatt, Earl McCurry, William Plemmons, Daisy Stewart, Sarah Stewart, Harry Wolfe, Jimmie Bartler, William McConnell, Elizabeth, Nancey and Henry Haley, James W. Simerly, Frank Hooper, Jr., Melvin Black, Cornelia Seay, Sarah Elizabeth Harris, De Foix O'Shields, Dora Lance, Cornelia Nichols, Nell King, Carr King, Frank Miller, Elmra McFalls, Bobby Coon, Hubert Carter, Reeves Echerd, Bob and Sue Weaver, Aileen Williams, John Seay, Charlotte Williams, William E. Henrich, David Stanton, Ford Wilson, Mary Frances Howell, Helen Rhymer, Mildred Bowen, Elizabeth Wolfe, Virginia Sue, Gloria Swanson, C. Jefferson and Paul Ray Davis, Harry Bryson, Everette Russell, Clarence Borne, Ralph, Johnnie and Everett Russell, Gladys Riddle, Wallace and Walter Johnson, Rex Ownbey, Edward Law-

BADGES ORDERED AND EXPECTED TO ARRIVE THIS WEEK

An additional supply of the Just Kids Safety Club badges has been ordered and is expected to arrive the latter part of this week. Boys and girls who have not yet received theirs may call at The Citizen bureau after the arrival of the new shipment has been announced.

Membership blanks may be mailed or brought in and badges awarded later. A membership blank is necessary to get a badge.

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Juvenile Stars To Film Safety Movie Saturday

As Officer Branner would say: "WELL! Well! well!"

"WELL! Well! and well!"

At last, boys and girls, the big day has been arranged for, and everything is all ready.

Saturday the youngsters who are members of The Citizen Just Kids Safety club, will go on location for the filming of the safety club's own moving picture.

Locations have been selected, the cameraman and director have finished their preparations and it is only four more days, including today, when the boys and girls will go be- [illegible]

[illegible] the theater party will be given, when the picture has been completed and is ready to be shown at an Asheville theater. Then, boys and girls, you can see yourselves and your friends in action on the screen just as you have seen the professional stars, only this is going to be much more interesting because the picture will be all your own with locations you are familiar with.

All the boys and girls can take part. The cast of characters who are to play the roles of Mush Stubbins, Fatso Dolan, Marjery Jones, Nicodemus O'Malley, Policeman Branner, Peanut Martin and the others will be selected Thursday, and then all the others will be used as extras in some of the most interesting scenes of the picture.

Wednesday The Citizen will announce the hour and place for a gathering of the Safety Club boys and girls. At this meeting the director of the movie [illegible] scenes in which every member who wishes to do so can go before the camera. A number of the scenes will be filmed Saturday morning, the director has announced.

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West Asheville Moves To Secure Southern Railroad Station

CIVIC BODIES FAVOR DEPOT TO BE BUILT AT BOSWELL

Gilbert H. Morris Offers To Donate Site For New Building

RAILROAD IS SAID TO FAVOR PROJECT

Effort Made For Action On Part Of State Corporate Body

A movement to secure a freight, passenger and express station on the Southern railway at Boswell siding, West Asheville, is being sponsored by the West Asheville club and the West Asheville Merchants association, it was announced yesterday. Other strong local interests are also reported to be in favor of the station.

Both groups have taken the matter up through correspondence with W. T. Lee, chairman of the Corporation Commission at Raleigh, and Representative Don C. Young has been requested by the West Asheville Club to confer with Mr. Lee over the proposed station. Mr. Young, who is a resident of West Asheville, former president of the club, and a member of the present board of directors, is now in Raleigh where he is a member of the 1929 session of the General Assembly.

Railroad Favors Move

The matter has been taken up at various times with Southern railway officials, it was said yesterday, and they expressed themselves as being favorable to such a station since they believe that one is needed.

The station was discussed at a recent meeting of the board of directors by F. J. Austin, and President H. B. Posey, Secretary Bert Starnes and Mr. Austin appointed on a committee to consult with the merchants organization, which is also in favor of the siding improvement.

In addition to the letter to Mr. Lee, Mr. Starnes has also discussed the matter with Mr. Young by correspondence, and a map of Asheville, pointing out West Asheville and its position with reference to railway connections, has been forwarded to the corporation commission secretary.

Morris Offers Site

Gilbert H. Morris, vice-president of the Wachovia Bank and Trust company, Asheville branch, has announced that he will donate a site for the proposed station, and that, although he is not a resident of West Asheville, he is strongly in favor of such an improvement, which he believes will be of great help to the entire community, especially the business interests.

In his letter to Mr. Lee, Mr. Starnes stressed the need and importance of a station, and asked that the matter be given early and favorable consideration.

"A freight station at Boswell siding in West Asheville is needed very badly especially since the Asheville freight office has been moved to Biltmore, a distance of approximately seven miles, and is accessable only through some of the most crowded streets of Asheville," Mr. Starnes said. "This is an imposition and a great inconvenience to the merchants of West Asheville, who have incoming and outgoing freight, and we feel that the matter could be easily remedied by an additional freight station in our midst."

Express Volume

The letter also called attention to a growing express business and the need of local passenger conveniences. The new plant of the Asheville Silk Hosiery Mills is located within 100 feet of the siding and since the greater part of its product will necessarily have to be exported by express, this will add much to an express business. Mr. Starnes pointed

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WEST ASHEVILLE SEEKS STATION

Gilbert H. Morris Offers To Donate Site For New Building

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out. He also mentioned that employes of the Enka plant board the train at Boswell siding and with any other passengers must wait for a train at what is now a flag station without the conveniences of a passenger depot.

The proposition was introduced to the club and board of directors by Dr. H. G. Brookshire. Directors and members present were Dr. C. A. Shelder, M. A. Hamrick, Mr. Austin, C. B. Anderson, J. L. Law, Dr. Brookshire, President H. B. Posey, Mr. Starnes, J. E. Divelbis, Howard P. Clayton and M. A. Hamrick.

In his talk to the club Mr. Austin pointed out the large business available to a local freight and express station and the necessity of more adequate service for West Asheville merchants and other businessmen.

In his letter to Mr. Lee, Mr. Starnes also said: "Asheville is building towards the west and the time will soon come when we will be compelled to add a freight, express and passenger station in West Asheville."

The present board of directors is composed of Don C. Young, C. B. Anderson, Chief A. L. Duckett and J. E. Divelbis. Mr. Young has not yet reported on his conference with Mr. Lee, but it is expected that he will give the matter early attention, it was said.

FARMER IS PUPIL AT NIGHT SHOOL AND LAUDS WORK

A worker in the night school which is being conducted at the Aycock grammar school, West Asheville, yesterday related a very interesting incident in connection with the night school work now being carried on in various sections of the county.

About a year ago, the worker said, a night school was in session in the Leicester community with a good attendance and much interest. Among the pupils was a wealthy and well known farmer of the community who announced that although he was close to 60 years of age, he was going to improve his education.

Last Friday night this same farmer, J. G. Rhymer, stood before the night school class and faculty and made what was described as one of the most intelligent, helpful and uplifting talks ever heard at the school.

Mr. Rhymer praised the night school work and declared that the Leicester community just had to have another one taught there; in fact, he added considerable persuasion to his request, it was said, and asked that something be done about the matter.

Many other remarkable incidents have featured the work of the night school faculties, it was said, all of which tend to indicate the worth of these institutions.

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Merchants Write Lee On Boswell Railway Station

Two letters in the interests of the proposed passenger, freight and expres station at Boswell siding, West Asheville, were forwarded yesterday to W. T. Lee, chairman of the Corporation, Raleigh, by the West Asheville Merchants association.

One of the letters was a personal message from V. F. Brown secretary, who is an old friend of Mr Lee, and both conveyed an urgent request that the proposed railway service improvement project be given the commission's favorable consideration. The necessity of a station as a closer means of freight service for comunity business men, and the inadequate service now existing for passengers and express were stressed in the letters.

The West Asheville Club forwarded a similar letter recently, and it is conceded as entirely possible that both requests will meet with favorable reaction on the part of Mr. Lee, it was said yesterday. Representative Don C. Young, former president and a member of the club's board of directors, has been requested to confer with the chairman with reference to be proposed station, and it is expected that he will do so sometime this week.

The matter has been discussed with Southern railway officials a number of times, it is said, and they have appeared favorable to such an improvement. However, it is believed that their decision has been more or less delayed pending the action of the corporation commission.

Gilbert H. Morris, well known Asheville banker, has announced that he will donate a site for the station should one be built.

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Corporation Purchases West Asheville Stores

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Tri-State Hardware Organization To Open Business

The purchase of the hardware concerns of H. Pumford and Son and M. A. Ingle and company, of West Asheville and plans for the opening of a large hardware business at 717 Haywood road, were announced yesterday by officials of the Southern Hardware corporation, operating in the Carolinas and Alabama. The amount involved in the transactions was not divulged.

The large building which is to house the new concern is being entirely renovated and painted with attractive display windows in front. Inside a part of the immense and varied stock of hardware to be carried by the company is being arranged with every item on display. With the work well underway the store will be opened soon, it was said.

Formal Opening

A formal opening to be announced later will be held and in connection with this a unique advertising plan will be carried out. The manager, D. L. Moyde, is to distribute throughout West Asheville homes 1,000 covers to aluminum pots with cards. These cards can be presented at the store on the opening day and the remainder of the utensil will be given to the bearer. A representative of a well known paint concern will be at the store to give painting and paint for a number of houses will be distributed in a contest to be held.

Large Corporation

The concern is incorporated with a capital stock of $100,000 W. B. Gamble, South Carolina, J. E. Ridings, of Forest City, Mr. Moyde and others are the incorporators. Mr. Moyde will have charge of the West Asheville store and will make his home here. Mr. Gamble is also spending sometime in West Asheville assisting in the organization of the new store and in tentative arrangements for the expansion of the business.

Plan Enka Store

Contract for the construction of a large building at Enka where a second store will be established has been awarded, Mr. Moyde stated yesterday. Construction work will begin soon and will be rushed to completion so that the store can be stocked.

The concern is now operating hardware stores in the Carolinas and will open a new business in Forest City April 1. The stocks of the two West Asheville concerns were purchased with the exception of the plumbing business of H. Pumford and Son which will be conducted by Mr. Pumford and his son.

The local store in accordance with the policy of others owned and operated by the corporation will be conducted on a distinct organization basis, officials have announced. Prior to the arranging of stock 57 hardware stores in four states were visited, Mr. Moyde said, and the most practical and modern ideas pertaining to stock arrangement and organization are being embodied in an attractive and convenient display system.

The concern has been in business for 14 years and is well known throughout the Carolinas and Alabama.

Bruce Emory Research

CLUB TO MEET AT SCHOOL TONIGHT

Enka Road Listed For Discussion; Public Session At 8

The proposed re-location of state highway No. 10 will probably be the chief topic of discussion at the semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville club at Hall Fletcher high school tonight.

The club will meet at 7 o'clock for luncheon and at 8 o'clock the meeting will be thrown open to the public. At this latter session the highway question will be introduced and a number of discussions by prominent West Asheville and Asheville citizens are expected.

James G. Stikeleather, 9th district highway commissioner, has been invited to attend and Mayor Gallatin Roberts is expected to be present. The board of county commissioners will also probably be represented.

The proposed highway change has aroused much interest in every section of West Asheville and is said to be strongly opposed. It is now considered probable that the proposed change, if one is made, will not tend to remove traffic from the present route along Haywood road which is said to be the chief objection of the opposition.

The proposed express, freight and passenger station on the Southern Railway at Boswell siding, West Asheville, may also be discussed, it was said yesterday.

President H. B. Posey will preside

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JUNIOR CLUB TO MEET SATURDAY

Musical Program And Membership Drive Are Arranged

A musical program and membership drive report will feature a meeting of the Blanchard Junior Music Club of West Asheville at the home of Mrs. Robert Spiro, 81 Westwood place, Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins will have charge of the program and will give a review from the "Junior Bulletin," publication of the Junior Music Clubs.

Members of the junior group will participate in the program with the following students listed: Bettie Bell, student of Mrs. R. W. Farr; Elizabeth Howall, student of Mrs. Thomas A. Curry; Mary Helen Teague, student of Miss Blanche Loftain; Frances Johnston, student of Mrs. E. A. Ogle; Dorothy Gaskins and Joy Hipps, students of Mrs. Blanchard; Dorothy and Margaret Jones, students of Miss Willie Jones, and her sister; a vocal number by Miss Wilma Corn, student of Mrs. Nell Harmon Taylor, president of the Harmony Music Club; and two students of Miss Lillie Wood and Miss Ava Ott.

The club which was organized by Mrs. A. X. Blanchard with a membership of eight boys and girls now has eighty members and an effort is being made to increase this to 100 by Saturday.

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Just Kids Movie Will Be Made In Asheville Today

The cameraman and director who are engaged in filming the moving picture for the Just Kids Safety club have announced the following schedule for today:

Eight o'clock Middlemount Gardens 38 Haywood Street; 8:45 o'clock Tennessee Motor Company, Central and Valley Streets; 10 o'clock Asheville Electric Company, 38 Spruce street; 10:15 o'clock, Eckerd's Cut Rate Drug Store, Patton avenue; 10:45, Biltmore Farm, Biltmore Estate. Here is where all the Safety club members can take part and will be generously rewarded for their movie work with ice cream cones, especially prepared by the Biltmore Dairies; 1 o'clock, Abbott-Knight, Inc., dry cleaning and economy service department, and Mountain City Loundry; 2 o'clock, Asheville Baking Company, Choctaw street; 2:30 o'clock, the big scenes at the Memorial stadium with all club members taking part; 4 o'clock, Chero-Cola Bottling Company Southside avenue.

Boys and girls, do you like ice cream?

Sure, we all do! Well, the Biltmore Dairies has added an ice cream party to the movie picture party and other attractions of the Just Kids Safety club.

At 10:30 o'clock today all members of the club who can get there have been invited by officials of the Biltmore Farms to be their guests. At that time a huge supply of ice cream made especially for the juvenile guests will be served, and then, before noon, important scenes of the Safety club movie will be filmed on the locations there.

All members of the club are requested to be at the Memorial Stadium at McCormick field at 2:30

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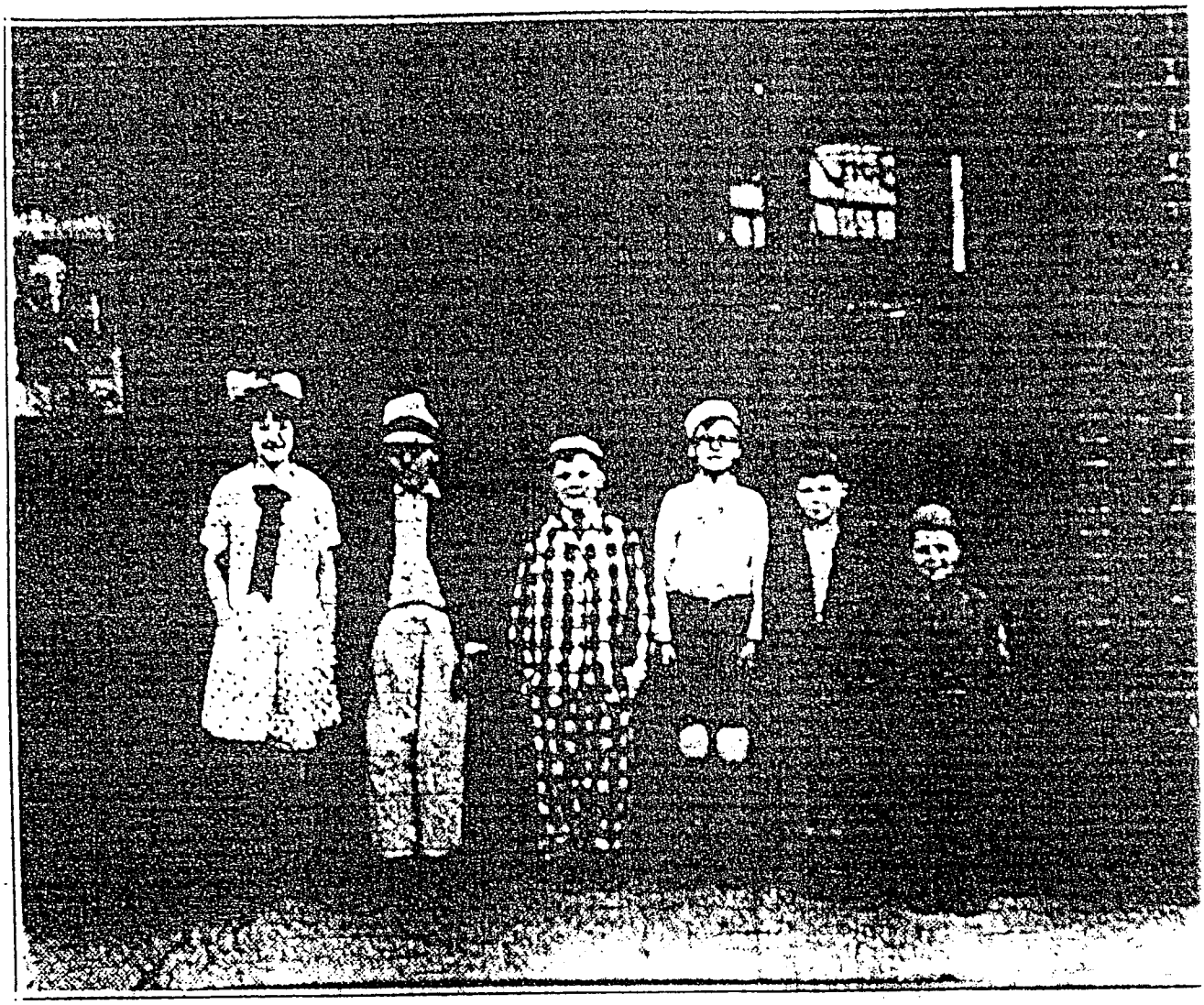
Six Children Break Into Motion Pictures



Folks, meet the cast of the Just Kids Safety Club motion picture filmed yesterday. These six principal c
actors in the movie were photographed by The Citizen staff photographer just before they strolled out to m
their debut in acting before the camera. They proved to be splendid actors, the director said, and the public
have an opportunity to judge for itself when the movie is shown here. —Staff Photo by Mic

BUSINESS MEN JOIN HANDS IN CLUB TO FURTHER PROGRESS

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MEMBERS of the West Asheville club, an organization of business men, are shock troops on West Asheville's front of progress. In virtually every movement or campaign aimed at improvements in which the community generally may share benefits, the West Asheville club membership is found aligned in the fore rank. Its influence and strength have figured as decisive factors in numerous movements for the promotion of community welfare.

H. B. Posey, cashier of the Bank of West Asheville, is president of the club. Other officers are: A. L. Duckett, Asheville fire chief, vice-president; J. E. Divelbliss, treasurer, and Bert Starnes, secretary. Directors are Dr. G. A. Sheider, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, Hugh Sowers, Howard P. Clayton and Prof. C. B. Anderson.

The organization has about 75 members and meets twice monthly in the new Hall-Fletcher high school.

Railroad Station Is Urged

The proposal for re-location of a section of state highway No. 10 and the need for a combination freight and passenger station at Boswell's station have been questions of chief concern before the club in recent weeks.

The highway re-routing plan was gone over thoroughly at a meeting of the club Thursday night at Hall Fletcher high school and assurances were given by James G. Stikekleather, ninth district highway commissioner, that there was no likelihood of the route being subject to change. The club and scores of West Asheville citizens not members of the organization, have offered vigorously opposition to any suggestion of a change at the expense of Haywood road, which the new route now traverses.

Mr. Stikeleather's statement set at rest fears that Haywood road would be deprived of advantages emanating from the present routing of No. 10. This was the main point at issue and the highway commissioner's remarks were greeted with resounding applause.

The petition for a new station at Boswell's siding, now a flag stop, now seems certain to receive serious consideration of officials of the Southern railway, due to interest of W. T. Lee, chairman of the State Corporation commission, and Don C. Young, representative in the House. Communications from Mr. Lee and Mr. Young assure the club that representations have been started and that there is reason to believe their efforts will be crowned with success. An effort will be made to obtain an expression from the railway heads as soon as possible. The club has thrown the full weight of its influence behind the project and plans to continue its activity in this field. The next step possibly will be designating a time for a hearing on the matter before the corporation commission. Presentation of claims in behalf of the station would be under the auspices of the West Asheville club. Committees will be named to work out the details for this in the event the hearing is formally ordered by the commission.

Morris Offers Depot Site

The distance from West Asheville to the existing freight station at Biltmore is set forth as one of the chief reasons for a new station at Boswell's siding. Gilbert H. Morris has offered to donate land for the building.

It is the hope of the West Asheville club that the railway will make it possible to send and receive freight through the proposed station in West Asheville. The plan is also for handling of express through this office. There is no waiting room there and this is another need stressed in the request of the club.

The distance from Boswell's siding to the freight station at Biltmore is seven miles and this constitutes a great handicap to shippers west of the river. The handicap, of course, will become more pronounced as West Asheville grows.

Opening of the Enka rayon plant is a factor in shaping consideration by those petitioning for the new station. Hundreds of the employes of the plant, they declare, will have almost daily need for a station at the siding.

Expect Definite Action Soon

Decisive action one way or the other is expected within the next few weeks on the question. There is a feeling among membership of the club that the railway, after a careful investigation, will be convinced of the merit of the proposal and order construction of the station without further delay.

Several letters have been exchanged between officers of the club and members of the State Corporation commission on the subject and the West Asheville organization is determined not to relent in its insistence for the improvement this summer.

The club has taken an active interest in practically every campaign dealing with civic advancement in the community and by ceaseless effort and harmony of purpose has invariably met with success. When the time comes for the establishment of an airport in Asheville the club, more than likely, will present claims of West Asheville in seeking the site for west of the river.

The club was organized in November, 1925, and at one time had a membership of more than 100. Its members, all of whom live in West Asheville, are leaders in their particular field of endeavor.

By-laws of the club designate as purposes of the club the following:

Objects Of Club

"The objects of this club are to build a better community in which to live.

"To promote any and all improvements that will make this community more livable.

"To promote the business interests of West Asheville in such a manner that the business men may not only hold the trade of the people of West Asheville, but that the highest standard of business ethics may be maintained by the business men of the community.

"To provide through entertainment, social intercourse and enduring friendships among the members of the club.

"To tell the world of the merits of West Asheville, and to interest and invite others to live in our community.

"To render unselfish and patriotic services to any of our people in the time of need.

"To stand by and support all the religious, educational and civic forces in our community.

"To make better men of the membership of the club and in daily living, practice the principle of the Golden Rule in all of our relations with mankind.

"To be a force in a non-political and non-sectarian manner in shaping the future of our community."

Is An Open Forum

The club's policies in promotion of community service are aptly expressed by the by-laws in the following paragraphs:

"This club shall be an open forum on all public questions and the club shall seek only to keep its members informed on all questions of public importance and any proposed legislation affecting community embraced by the club. The club shall not let partisan politics enter the activities of the club. The club shall have the right to give expression to its attitude on public questions in a non-partisan manner. The club seeks to inform its members on public questions, and not to encourage, block or mass activities and to that end it shall be the policy of the club to discourage the calling for a vote or expression of the attitude of the membership on public questions, and then only after it has been approved by the board of directors, and members of the proper committee.

"The club shall support educational and religious activities of the community in a manner that will give to its membership information. It shall be policy not to allow any collections to be taken either for the educational or religious activities of the community.

"The club shall help the weak and unfortunate of the community, not by public subscription, but by informing its membership of those who are in need. It shall be the policy of the club not to allow any collections to be taken whatsoever, but to inform its members in such a manner as to stir and arouse its members as individuals, to all the people embraced within the territory of the club."

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Just Kids Movie Is Made In Asheville Saturday

'Bagears' Champion Ice Cream Eater; 'Mush' Has Accident

Folks, meet "Bagears," the champion consumer of ice cream in the local juvenile class, whose real name is Ruggles Baker, of 216 Montford avenue.

Yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock the Biltmore Farms entertained as guests the movie cast and several hundred members of the Just Kids Safety Club. Ice cream was served galore and many a quart disappeared before the appetites of the youngsters as the party progressed. But Bagears covered himself with glory and satisfied his appetite by manfully getting away with 11 cones.

Afterwards, Ruggles felt himself in the better condition for participation in the movies.

The youngsters were transported from the entrance gates of the estate to the farm by the farm trucks.

The Movie Sequence

The opening scenes of the Safety Club movie were taken at the farms with the principal characters before the camera in addition to the huge gathering of members.

Shortly afterwards Mush's accident occurred. The young fellow was struck by a car, driven by a hit and run driver, who fled.

Exercising great presence of mind Fatso Dolan immediately ran to the Reynolds Undertaking establishment on 38 Spruce street to secure an ambulance. Mush was taken home while his pals, Peanut, Nicodemus, Marjory, Fatso and Bagears went to the Middlemount Gardens flower shop on Haywood street for flowers with which to cheer Mush in his sick room at home. On their way the youngsters decided to call at Eckard's Gut Rate drug store on Patton avenue and get a supply of medicine for their injured pal, and afterwards they discovered that Nicodemus had thoughtfully included a bottle of castor oil.

Injury Not Serious

Fortunately Mush was not seriously injured, so with their youthful minds free from worry over their pal, "Just Kids" began searching for the hit and run driver, after entering into an agreement to "look up

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and down before crossing the street."

A long search followed without a single clue being found, when the young imitators of Sherlock Holmes ran across a tip down at the Plemmons Motor company at Church and Valley streets, which later proved of no value.

At the Asheville Baking company the search was delayed while the youngsters surrendered to the irresistable appeal of their appetities and managed to get refreshments in an unusual—in fact, a very unusual way.

Finally the trail of the hit and run driver was located and after an exciting chase he was finally taken at the Abbott-Knight Cleaners—and Mountain City Laundry firms. Calling their friend, Policeman Branner, the kids placed the reckless driver in his custody, and then with their duty well performed, went on to the Memorial stadium at the McCormick athletic field where the Just Kids Safety Club was organized with hundreds of members taking part.

Climax Comes

As a climax to the nice time the Safety Club group had enjoyed Officer Banner announced at the stadium that all of the members would be rewarded for their commendable work by going to the Chero-Cola Bottling plant on Southside avenue. At the plant many a youngster satisfied a life-long desire to ascertain just how much pop and other drinks he was capable of consuming.

Transportation for the cast during the day was furnished through the courtesy of R. M. Wendell, of the Plemmons Motor company, and Packard and Wyllis-Knight motor cars were used in all the scenes requiring automobiles.

The cast is as follows: "Marjory Jones," Frances Jones, 174 Dorchester avenue, West Asheville; "Nichodemus O'Malley" William Berman, 23 Harrison street; "Fatso Dolan," Bill Lane, 28 Woodvale avenue; "Mush Stebbins," James Reid, 297 Merrimon avenue; "Peanut Martin," George Sadelson, 38 Bennett street, and "Bagears," Ruggles Baker, 216 Montford avenue.

Each of these characters is to receive an original drawing from Ad Carter, famous cartoonist and creator of the "Just Kids" comic strip. Mr. Carter recently wired The Citizen that he would prepare and mail these drawings soon. At the same time he wired his congratulations and best wishes to the Asheville Just Kids Safety Club.

A new supply of badges has arrived and distribution will be resumed tomorrow afternoon. Boys and girls who have not received theirs can get them by filling out and bringing a membership blank to The Citizen office.

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ASHEVILLE MOVES WEST IN EXPANSION

West Asheville Fast Coming Into Own

Industry Proves Foundation In Growth.

By ROBERT M'KEE

ASHEVILLE in seeking means of surest development and growth, following the sage advice of a famous American, who saw the height of opportunity in the West.

Asheville is utilizing the opportunities of West Asheville in the course of normal growth and expansion. By moving steadily and swiftly in this direction the city is finding expression for hopes and ambitions of a larger day. West Asheville is coming into its own through natural lines that chart a course of progress straight in its direction as the modern-day trend of development swings toward logical objectives.

The year 1929 is rich in promise of greater growth and stronger foundation upon which to build for future years. Nothing sensational is seen in the offing, for it is not the sensational the people of West Asheville are seeking. They are striving toward a community of better homes, fine industry as the bulwark for stability of background. And day by day unity of community spirit and purpose is bringing realization and objective near together.

West Asheville, it is estimated by civic leaders, now has a population of about 15,000. Some place the figure higher but this appears to be an estimate more likely to conform to actualities.

Enka Biggest Stepping Stone

The big Enka plant at present looms as West Asheville's most important stepping stone to general development and growth. The site of the huge plant is about two miles west of West Asheville, which will serve as a funnel for all transportation between Enka and Asheville proper. This in itself is of no small import, but, greater still, West Asheville, by reason of its proximity to the plant, will reap benefits now almost impossible to vision.

Near the site of the plant are being constructed 100 homes, 89 of which will be occupied by employes and 11 by plant officials. The exact time for opening of the mills has not been definitely fixed but it seems probable operations will begin in the early summer.

Enka is to West Asheville what any prodigious industry is to thriving home communities. West Asheville is closest to the scene of operations, and, therefore, will share largely in advantages to accrue. That does not imply that Asheville proper on the east side of the river, will in any sense be deprived of its just due, for West Asheville is only a part of the greater city.

Diversification of industrial growth, an item in the program of almost every city, has received attention from those taking the lead in shaping destinies of the community west of the river. They are determined not to stop at Enka and to that end they are receiving no end of assistance from the Asheville Chamber of Commerce and the West Asheville club, an organization of business men.

New Plant To Open

The West Asheville silk hosiery mill, located just west of the Deaverview road near Boswell's siding, will soon be put in operation. The mill, housed in a new brick building, will bring additional families to West Asheville, it is expected. Machinery of the most modern type for making silk hosiery was installed last week. This is expected to be the first unit of a million dollar enterprise.

The Asheville Knitting mills on Burton street is one of the forerunners of West Asheville's industrial evolution. This plant has been in operation for several years and is well established.

West Asheville is characterized by civic leaders as a "twelve-months-a-year residential section." It came into being as the site for homes of a contented wage-earning class. From the wholesome viewpoints of these people sprang the spirit that has forged community energy into a vital force for progress in various fields.

Among the numerous improvements seen for 1929 in West Asheville is a new postoffice building for the substation located on Haywood road opposite the Bank of West Asheville. A number of bids for the structure have been forwarded to the postoffice department at Washington. The government proposes to rent the building from whoever agrees to build it in conformity with specifications laid down by the department. The present quarters of the sub-station are much too cramped.

Has Seven Mail Carriers

Six city carriers and one rural free delivery carrier work from the office in West Asheville. Amplification of the carrier service probably will be a result of enlargement of quarters. As West Asheville grows in population and dimensions, extensions in mail deliveries will become a necessity.

Many residents of West Asheville believe the proposal to establish Rhododendron park in the knoll overlooking the bend in the French Broad river in the old Rierson tract near the city limits is one of the most important undertakings on the program for this year. More than 100 acres of land have been made available for the project and many persons have interested themselves in the plan. The idea is to convert the site into a kind of botanical gardens, with rhododendron cultivation receiving chief attention. So great has become momentum behind the undertaking that it has fair prospects for success before the end of 1929. The land is ideally located for the purpose; it has elevation, a grove of stately trees and an inspiring view of the river. It is believed such a park would offer many benefits for study and experimentation.

No Labor Shortage

In construction of the big Enka plant West Asheville has had a taste of industrial greatness but is not surfeited—far from it. The community is going after more with a tenacity of purpose that cannot long be denied. The community has innumerable advantages to offer heads of plants seeking sites and an abundant labor supply—as was ascertained in a survey made prior to selection of a site for the plant at Enka.

Developments of the last few months seem to presage renewed building activity in the spring. In 1928 the records showed 60 per cent of the building permits for the entire city were for the west side of the river.

The housing situation becomes more of a subject for speculation as the time approaches for the Enka plant to being operations. The crying need is for small homes that will rent for about $20 a month. Considerable improvement in the housing situation is foreseen in the next 12 months. There are at present many vacant houses in that part of the city, but no more than elsewhere. Many of these are for sale.

See Big Improvement Ahead

Business leaders readily admit dissatisfaction over the present real estate situation there, but improvement is expected before another year passes.

West Asheville has seven churches, six apartment houses, five schools, a fire station and several branches of local wholesale firms. The community has had steady growth in the past year, has reached and passed the city limits and is rapidly filling up the vacant spaces within its borders. Many homes are going up in the vicinity of the new Hall Fletcher high school. A number of new and attractive residential sections have sprung up in various parts of West Asheville in the past year or so. One of these is the Brucemont Circle street of homes. Plans are being made for the construction of more new homes this spring and summer.

People in West Asheville also are

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Unity In Action Is Factor In Progress

Bright Future Is Seen For That Section.

Unified Action Is Keynote Of Progress Drive

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keeping their eyes and ears open on agitation for an airport. A survey was made some time ago in Johnson woods, just outside of West Asheville, and the site pronounced perfectly suited for a landing field. The land is adapted, by elevation and surroundings to the needs of a field.

Transportation Is Problem

Completion of the Enka plant may lead to steps for extension of street car and bus transportation facilities in West Asheville. Many are in favor of a plan for running the street car line to Malvern Hills addition near the Enka plant.

Stimulus from the Enka development has been manifest for a number of months in a business way. Merchants, real estate dealers and others report it "has helped greatly."

Asheville Citizen
March 17, 1929

DIRT IS TURNED FOR POST OFFICE

To Finish Excavation By Saturday; Work Will Be Pushed

Excavation of 300 yards of dirt on the new West Asheville post office site, preparatory to laying the foundation for the building, began yesterday morning. The excavation contract has been awarded to Roy P. Roberts, of West Asheville, who stated yesterday that the work will be finished by Saturday.

The site was marked off Monday afternoon and a number of trees removed yesterday morning.

The contract for construction of the building which is to cost $10,000 has been let to L. Taylor Bledsoe. Work will begin immediately after the foundation is completed and the post office will be opened July 1, post office officials have announced.

The quarters are to be leased for a period of ten years from July 1, 1929, or date of occupancy. The lease is to include equipment, heat, light, water, safe, power, parcel post and postal savings furniture and janitor service.

It is believed here that the new quarters will enable the postal service to more adequately meet the needs in the rapidly growing West Asheville section. With the treasury ready to begin construction on the new Asheville Federal building, this means that all sections of the city are to be given better facilities.

Asheville Citizen March 20, 1929

No Change To Be Made In 10-Cent Bus Fare

The bus fare to West Asheville will remain at the old 10 cent rate, C. H. Bartlett, commissoner of public safety announced yesterday afternoon. The western terminal of the bus lines will be changed however from its present location near the Malvern Hills entrance, the commissioner stated. A new bus ordinance placing the fare at 10 cents will be tendered to the city commissioners at an early date. Mr. Bartlett stated that no opposition to the 10 cents fare would be made by the other two commissioners.

It was originally planned to move the western bus terminal to the Southern railway crossing at Sulphur Springs with a 15 cent fare being charged. A storm of protest reached the commissioners from residents of West Asheville who complained of the five-cent increase. The decision to move the West Asheville terminal was taken after petitions from several residents of the Malvern Hills section complained of the noise made by the bus drivers at that terminal.

Mr. Bartlett would not state just where the new terminal would be located saying that this phase of the ordinance would be considered later after a study of the situation is made by the board of commissioners

The ordinance will also carry provisions for the posting of a $10.000 liability bond by the driver, insurance for the passengers carried and the weekly inspection of the brakes, horn and lights of the car.

Asheville Citizen March 20, 1929

Hosiery Mill To Install 2-Unit Machine System

Four machines of the first unit of eight to be installed in the plant of the Asheville Silk Hosiery Mills, on Deaver View road, West Asheville, have been set up, while the remaining machines are in course of installation, it was announced yesterday.

Two units or a total of sixteen machines are to be installed when the plant is completely equipped, the majority of which will be of the silk knitting type. All machines are of modern design and the latest in hosiery manufacturing equipment, it is said.

The second unit will be installed later and the plant will begin operating within six or eight weeks, officials said yesterday. The plant will employ from 50 to 60 persons per shift and will operate on a single shift for a while after opening. Later a second shift will be added.

Work on the plant which is located near Boswell siding, the site of the proposed new combination passenger, express and freight office of the Southern railway, began last December and was completed about three weeks ago. The plant cost approximately $250,000 to build. David Baer and Albert Shulten are in charge.

Asheville Citizen March 20, 1929

THE SUNDAY CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C., SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 1929

BLEDSOE BEGINS LARGE BUILDING

To Cost $25,000; Work Now Underway; Site On Haywood Road

Construction of a large two-story business structure located on Haywood road, adjoining the site of the new West Asheville post office, is now underway, J. T. Bledsoe, of the J. T. Bledsoe and company, stated yesterday. The building, one of several recent additions to the extensive West Asheville holdings of the concern, will cost approximately $25,000 and will be completed by August 1.

The brick work will begin Thursday morning and will be rushed to completion, Mr Bledsoe said. The building will face Haywood road and a new street in the rear from which an entrance to the second floor to be used as a community or town hall will be constructed so as to eliminate the inconvenience of a front entrance. The building will be 100 feet wide and 40 feet deep and of tapestry brick construction.

An official of a large department store has already discussed with Mr. Bledsoe the leasing of the first floor as a location for a large mercantile business, and should the transaction be made, the floor will probably be retained as an undivided space instead of being converted into separate store rooms.

The new structure is near the Bledsoe building and the new apartment house opened by Mr. Bledsoe early this year. The latter building cost approximately $60,000, and the completion of projects now underway will give the concern an investment of approximately $300,000 in West Asheville buildings during the past two years.

The firm is composed of J. T. Bledsoe, L. Taylor Bledsoe and N. T. Robinson. The elder Mr. Bledsoe has been engaged in the real estate business in Asheville for 24 years.

Bruce Emory Research

WEST ASHEVILLE CONTRACT OFFICE LOCATION GIVEN

Registered mail, parcel post money orders and a complete stamp, envelope and card stock will be handled by the new West Asheville contract post office which is to open the same date as the new post office now in course of construction, it was announced yesterday.

E. L. Bishop, superintendent of mails at the Asheville post office, stated yesterday that the office will be located in the drug store of Dr. O. A. Shelder, 418 Haywood road, near the present office.

Asheville Citizen March 26, 1929

NEW POST OFFICE TO BEGIN MONDAY

To Be Completed June 15; Leased For 10-Year Period

The first concrete for the foundation of the new West Asheville post office will be poured early tomorrow morning, it was announced yesterday. Excavation work has already been completed by Roy P. Roberts, West Asheville contractor, and concrete mixing machinery has been moved to the site.

The building which is to cost $10,000 with equipment at $5,300 will be completed by June 15, officials of J. T. Bledsoe and company, contractors, have announced. This will allow fifteen days for the installation of equipment prior to the opening of the office on July 1. The building has been leased by the Post Office department for a period of ten years, J. T. Bledsoe, senior member of the firm, stated yesterday.

The structure will be of brick construction, 100 by 35 feet, with Mt. Airy granite used in front and as trim for windows.

Features of the office will be a large, spacious lobby, a rear recreation room for carriers and an inspector's gallery. The entrance to the gallery will be from the rear and the only keys will be retained by the post office department at Washington. The post will command a view of every section of the interior and will be built in from the remainder of the building. An interior vault for the storage of funds, stock and registered mail will be constructed. Equipment will be installed by the Keyless Lock company with special combination lock post office boxes.

Asheville Citizen March 26, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE HAS 200 VACANT HOUSES TO RENT

Approximately 200 vacant houses in West Asheville are available for rent, local real estate dealers announced yesterday afternoon, following the completion of a rental survey made by J. L. Martin and other realty dealers. Of that number about 75 per cent are listed with real estate men, Mr. Martin said.

The survey was made at the request of the American Enka Corporation, and all data when compiled will be turned over to Enka officials, it was said.

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN,
FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1929

TO DISCONTINUE ONE OFFICE AND OPEN NEW BRANCH

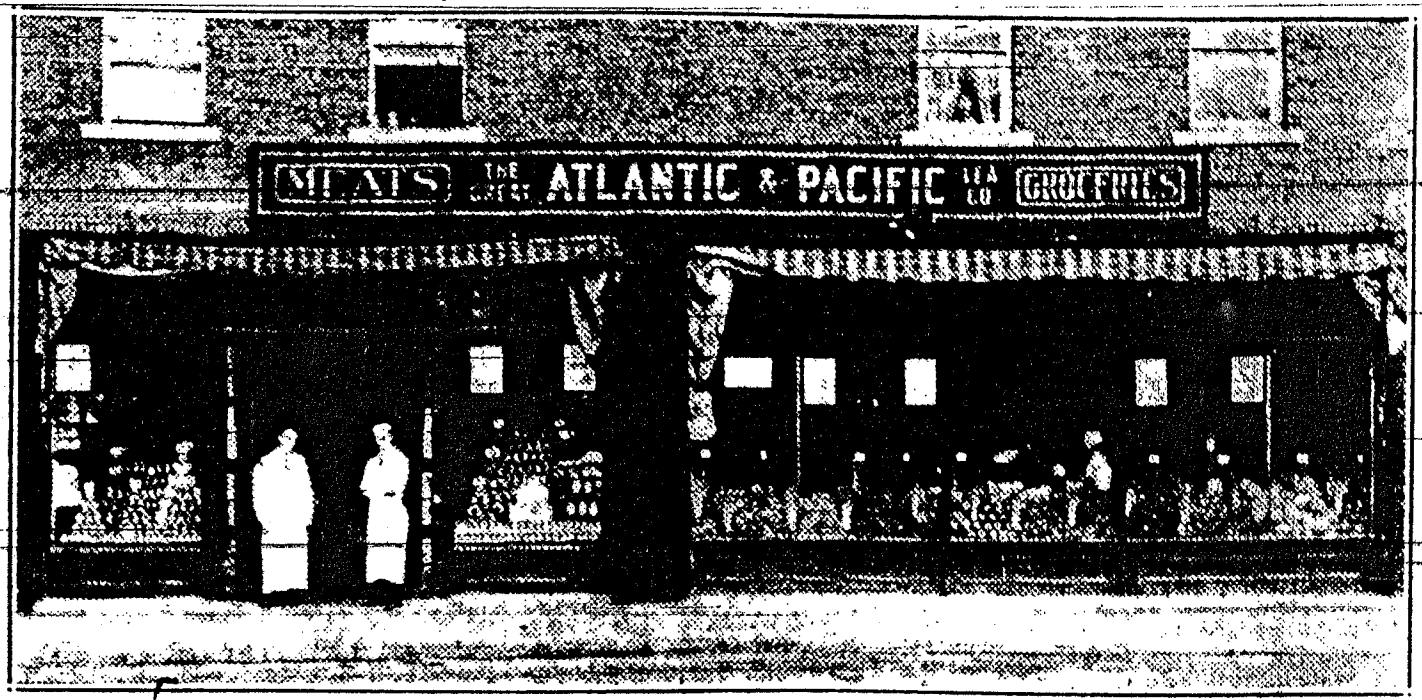
Due to its proximity to the new West Asheville postoffice now in course of constructon, the branch office now in operation at Bilbro's drug store at the end of the carline on Haywood road will be discontinued when the former office is opened, the Asheville postoffice department, stated yesterday. The office has been a great public convenience, and its discontinuance is only necessary because the new office will be located only a short distance away.

A contract office will be opened in Shelder's drug store on Haywood road near the present postoffice when the new institution opens on July 1, it has been announced. The contract branch will conduct a registered letter, parcel post and money order business with a complete stock of stamps, cards and envelope available.

March 31, 1929

THE SUNDAY CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C.

One Of A. & P. Tea Company Prize Stores



This store, located on Haywood Road in West Asheville, is one of the excellent units of the A. and P. Tea company, serving Asheville's housewives. —Staff Photo by Michael.

Bruce Emory
Research

FOLK SONGS WILL AGAIN BE GIVEN

Colored Choirs Of City Present Spirituals On April 18

By special request, a program of negro spirituals and folk songs by the colored choirs of the city, will be given at the West Asheville Community Tabernacle, Buffalo street, Thursday evening, April 18, at 7:45 o'clock, it was announced yesterday. There will be special reserved seats for white people.

This program was presented by the colored choirs of the city at the Women's club on Charlotte street on April 5, and such an impression was made that a special request was sent to the choirs to repeat their program. The choirs are directed by Helen Chandler Smith.

Asheville Citizen April 12, 1929

Distance Is Important Point In Station Move

Distance will be the determining factor in deciding whether or not West Asheville is to have a combined passenger, express and freight station at Boswell siding, it was stated yesterday.

The movement to secure the station is being supported by the West Asheville club and the West Asheville Mercnants association, in addition to a number of influential citizens, and available information, a supporter stated, indicates that should the distance from the siding to the American Enka Corporation plant in Hominy Valley be over three miles, the station is assured, since it will be necessary for the Southern Railway to give the matter favorable consideration. If however, the distance is three miles or less, the outcome of the movement is more or less questionable with the probability that the short distance would be a hindering factor, it was said.

The matter has been taken up with Chairman W. T. Lee by the two organizations and the situation explained in detail by correspondence. Representative Don C. Young, a member of the board of directors and former president of the West Asheville club, conferred with Mr. Lee on the situation while in Raleigh several weeks ago. Mr. Lee has given assurance of his favorable consideration and cooperation, and has taken up the matter with officials of the railroad company. Up to late yesterday no replies or decision of the Southern officials had been received.

Gilbert H. Morris of Asheville, has offered to donate a site for the station which is said to be badly needed, especially by business men.

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Vance School Operetta Cast

The cast of 78 boys and girls who last night presented the operetta, "The Shut-up Posey," to a large audience in the Vance school auditorium. Miss Eleanor Galphin directed the program —Staff Photo by Michael.

Asheville Citizen-Times April 17, 1929

VANCE PROGRAM WELL RECEIVED

Boys And Girls Stage Good Program Last Night

The operetta, "The Shut-up Posy," was presented by an all-student cast of 78 boys and girls in the Vance school auditorium last night. The program was directed by Miss Eleanor Galphin and music was furnished by the Vance orchestra directed by James Graham, supervisor of music in the city graded schools.

The operetta was one of the best given in West Asheville in some time, and the work of the characters was commended by the large audience.

The story portrayed in song and dance was based on the efforts of Jack Frost and his throng of elves to prevent spring from entering their playground. After meeting with many difficulties spring, aided by the Sunshine Fairies, brownies and Shut-up Posy enters the playground to reign, and Jack Frost and his followers are banished to the North land.

Beautiful and realistic costumes were worn by the cast which is as follows:

Blue Bird, John Russell; Jack Frost, Charles Folsom; Butterfly Doris Adams Herald, Leslie Bird; Spring, Elibabeth Howell; Mother Earth, Mary Kathryn Gardner; Angel of the Wild Things, Virginia Adams; Rabbit, Edward Whitson; Daisy, Doris Lee Patterson; Shut-up Posy, Hope Griffith; Pussy Willows, Jimmy Smith and Billy Hudson; Brownies, James Gardner and Jack Cox; Flower Maidens Ilma La Barr, Wanda Shuey, Margaret Wright, Margaret Hazel Moffitt, Anderson, Joy Hipps, Mary Elizabeth Bennett and Theresa Rogers. Frost Elves, John Schell, Paul Davis, Neal Evans, Harold Sluder, Herbert Cagle, Bruce Fisher,

PRIZE IS GIVEN BY LOCAL BANKER

Miss McCoy Wins Essay Contest With Paper On Thrift

The cash prize of $2.50 offered by President H. B. Posey, of the West Asheville Club, for the best essay on "Thrift" by a student of Hall Fletcher junior high school, has been awarded to Miss Audrey Louis McCoy, it was announced yesterday. Phillip Russell and Mary Louise Teague won honorable mention. Judges were Miss Edna Phillips, Miss Ora Dowell, Miss Emily McGaha, and Miss Birch Clinkscales.

Nine students entered essays in the contest, all of which were well written and interesting. The practice of thrift in spending money, purchasing and using books, clothing and other personal belongings and in conservation of health and time.

Of particular interest was the section of the paper devoted to health. "Health is one of the greatest paths to success," the essay stated. "Without health one loses interest in the things that are cherished as builders of success and happiness. Our health is what we ourselves make it. Poor health habits often cause one to fail to reach the goal of success in later life."

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NEWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE

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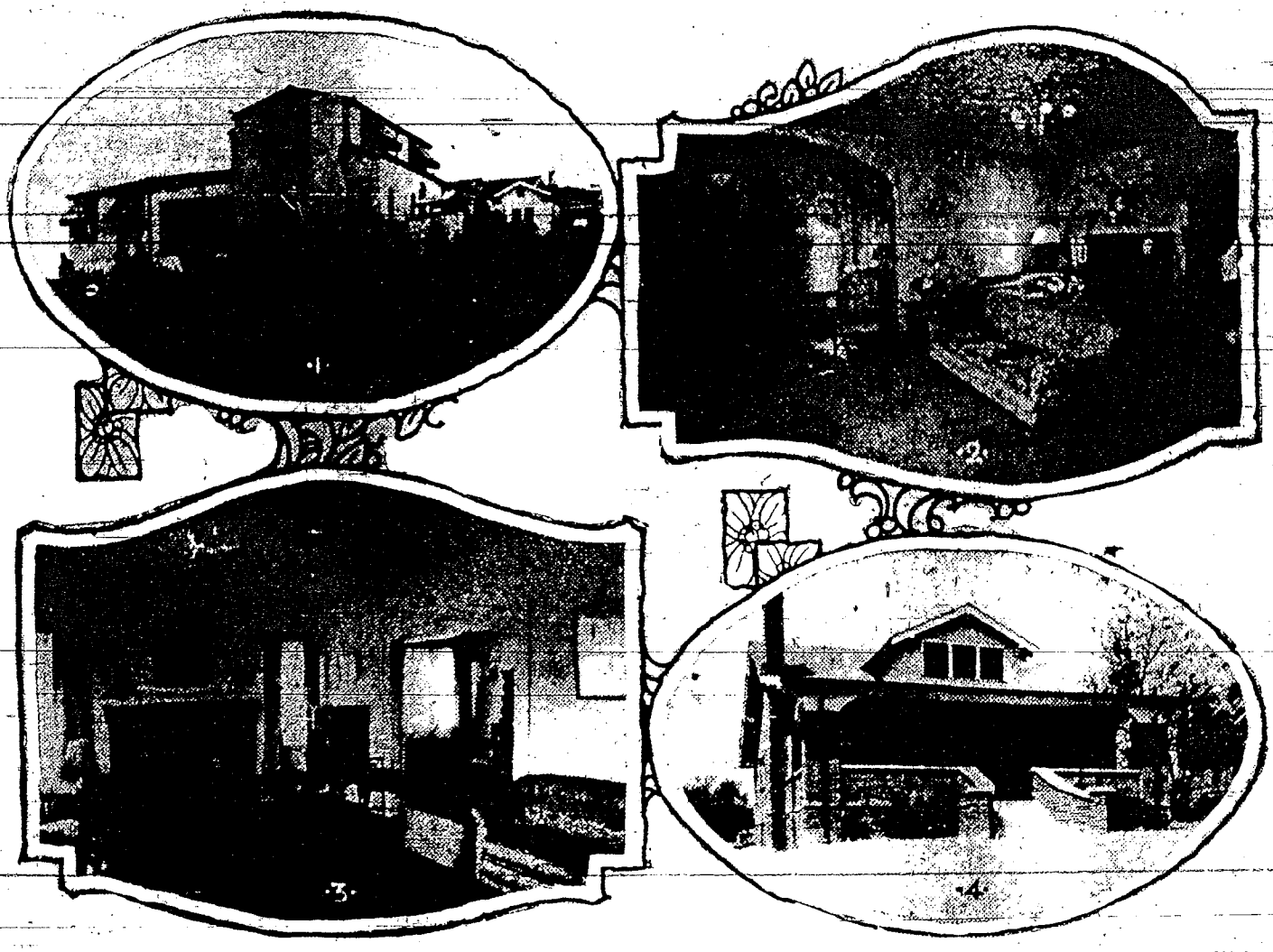
West Asheville's Two Model Homes



—Staff Photo by Michael

Above are the two model homes selected by the West Asheville Community Club for the community exhibition during Better Homes Week, beginning tomorrow and ending April 28. At the top is the beautiful Spanish type stucco residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hauk, 165 Vermont Avenue, the model large home. The spacious living room with its arched entrance is shown at the left. Lower right is the model small home, the property of Misses Fannie B. and DeEtta McCoy, which is located at 25 Clinton Avenue. The well-lighted and cozy living room with its modern furnishings and interior decorating, planned by the Community Club, is shown at the left.

Organization Sponsors Model Home Exhibition

West Asheville Plans Varied Program For Civic Event

With the opening at noon of the first of two model homes planned for the community exhibition, the Better Homes Week campaign was launched in West Asheville yesterday by the West Asheville Community club and other organizations.

Co-sponsors of the campaign and community program for the event include schools, churches and a large group of citizens enthused with civic pride.

The model small home, a brick bungalow located at 25 Clinton avenue, the property of the Misses Fannie and DeEtta McCoy, has been furnished and decorated along modern lines, with landscape work done by a competent designer. At the opening a large number of people were present, and viewed the beautiful and well arranged interior decorations and furniture. During Better Homes Week, April 20-28, the home will be in charge of a hostess committee headed by Mrs. Raymond H. Officer, chairman of the Model Homes committee of the Community Club.

Interior Decoration

Interior decorating was in charge of C. W. Marshall, of Denton and company, who recently came to Asheville from Daytona Beach, Fla. Mr. Marshall is known as one of the most competent interior decorators in the South, having assisted in beautifying the interiors of some of its finest homes. In addition to a number of the largest and costliest homes in Miami, he did interior decorating work in the Daytona Beach homes of John D. Rockefeller, Sr., J. E. Delaney, lumber king, Albert Brumley, of the New York stock exchange, and others. The interior decorating of the beautiful Daytona Beach Golf and Country Club home and the Halifax district hospital was also handled by him.

The furniture for the model home was furnished by the West Asheville branch of Sterchi Brothers. This is the fourth home the concern has furnished in Asheville in connection with community affairs.

Mrs. W. C. Brownson, former president of the Community Club, and well-known landscape artist, supervised the landscape planning for the home. Mrs. Brownson is noted for her interest in this work, and her beautiful planning of the grounds at Ashcock school on Haywood road has been commended by citizens and civic groups of the community.

Model Large Home

The model large home which will be open on the final two days of Better Homes Week, is located at 165 Vermont avenue, and is the property of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hauk. One of the most beautiful homes in West Asheville, its selection as the model large home was influenced by the ideal arrangement of the furnishings and interior decorating which made it suitable for exhibition purposes.

While on exhibition the home will be in charge of Mrs. Hauk and a committee composed of members of the Community Club.

Prize Awards

A number of prizes will be awarded in connection with the campaign. These prizes have been donated by West Asheville merchants and will be on exhibition at the model small home until the final evening when they will be given to winners in contests to be conducted. The contests pertain to the improvement of homes and grounds and merchants donating awards include the Carolina Power and Light company, Sterchi Brothers, Barker's department store, I. M. Teague, Sheider's Pharmacy, and D. L. Moyde, manager of the Southern Hardware corporation.

Judges appointed for the contests are the Rev. J. S. Hiatt, pastor of the West Asheville Methodist church; Mrs. W. C. Brownson and Mrs. C. B. Anderson.

Clean-up Campaign

In connection with Better Homes Week, the city-wide "Clean-up Campaign" planned by officials, organizations and citizens of Asheville, is being promoted in every section of West Asheville. Residents are being urged to clean up unsightly grounds and premises, and where needed to repaint homes and other buildings. As a result of the efforts made in this direction many improvements are now being made. A number of homes have been repaired and painted, and lawns and shrubbery given attention, lending a more beautiful atmosphere to the community.

The West Asheville "clean-up" program will be directed by a group of organized workers, cooperating with the civic organizations and city officials. Plans are being made to assist home owners in planning improvements and promoting their interest in a better and more beautiful community.

Hundreds of people are expected to visit the two model homes during the exhibition week, and their inclusion in the plans of the club for Better Homes Week has attracted community-wide interest and commendation.

Asheville Citizen April 21, 1929

CROWDS INSPECT MODEL COTTAGE

Club Exhibition Is In Charge Of Hostess Committee

Large crowds, including many out of town visitors, are inspecting the model small home opened at 25 Clinton avenue, West Asheville at noon Saturday, as a part of the model homes exhibition of the West Asheville Community Club. The opening Saturday was largely attended and Sunday afternoon from 200 to 300 people called between 3 and 6 o'clock and were shown the home by Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, president, and Mrs. Robert H. Spiro. Many Western North Carolina towns, including Swannanoa Waynesville, Hendersonville and others were well represented on the visitors' list.

The home will be open from 3 to 6 o'clock each afternoon and from 7:30 until 9 o'clock evenings throughout Better Homes Week, which opened yesterday morning. Mrs. R. H. Officer assisted by a hostess committee, is in charge of the home. A sign pointing the location of the home has been placed at the intersection of Clinton avenue and Haywood Road for the convenience of visitors.

The model large home, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hauk at 165 Vermont Avenue, will open Saturday. Many of the out-of-town and local visitors have stated that they will attend the opening of the Hauk home.

The interior decorating and furnishings of the small home attracted much interest and favorable comment, the committee announced.

Asheville Citizen April 23, 1929

Walls Begun On Three Business Structures

Foundations have been completed and the walls are well underway on the new West Asheville post office, Bledsoe and Robeson buildings, constructors announced yesterday.

The post office will be completed by June 15, and the Robeson building within 60 days. The Bledsoe business building located adjoining the post office building will be finished about August 1. J. T. Bledsoe and company are constructors of the Bledsoe and post office structures.

Asheville Citizen April 24, 1929

MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 29, 1929

Colored Mass Meeting On Extension Tonight

A mass meeting will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the Y. M. I. auditorium and all colored residents of the city have been urged to attend. The meeting will be held to discuss the phases of the National and Asheville association for the Advancement of Colored People and city extension.

The principal speaker will be Dr. Robert W Bagnall, of New York, who will discuss the work of the colored organization. Local speakers on how annexation will benefit the colored citizens of the city will be E. W. Pearson, V. S. McDowell, Dr. J. W. Walker, Rev. H. M. Smith and Dr. L. O. Miller. The Asheville jubilee quartet will sing and the Asheville chapter of the colored organization will hold its annual election of officers. Delegations from the Hendersonville chapter and the Waynesville chapter are expected to attend.

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Colorful Parade Marks Climax Of Vote Drive

Thomas S. Rollins And Gallatin Roberts Are Heard

Assembling at the David Millard high school building last night at 7:30 o'clock more than 800 persons representing the various civic clubs of the city, the City Employes' Benefit association, Merchant's association, chamber of commerce, and the American Legion formed a greater Asheville parade for more than three blocks. Winding its way to Pack Square with sirens blowing, honking horns, and occasional outbreaks of the enthusiasm from the paraders the procession marched to the square.

The parade was headed by motorcycle policemen, followed by the high school band, Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Thomas S. Rollins, a cordon of city uniformed policemen, and representatives of the organizations participating. Several hundred school children, carrying banners marked, "Our Schools are Safe," "Vote for Annexation for Us," "We have Faith in Mr. Roberts," and similar slogans brought up the rear of the parade.

2,000 Hear Speakers

Arriving at the square the crowd was augumented by more than 2,000 who had gathered there awaiting the speakers. Thomas S. Rollins addressed the group pleading for their cooperation in the election tomorrow.

"The owners of Grove Park Inn have deprived us of more than $220,000 during the life of their hotel here" Mr. Rollins stated. "Why shouldn't they be called upon to bear a part of this burden, they have been, and they have not objected, but when a smaller group of high-hatting, silk clad Biltmore Foresters are asked for their aid they raise a hue and yell. Had it not been for the annexation of a section of their property, this election would have witnessed no opposition," declared the speaker.

"In my mind, this is the most important election that has faced the voters of Asheville since 1797 when the city was incorporated. The time has come when the American people as a body rule, not as a group of selfish individuals as are opposing this movement," Mr. Rollins stated in closing.

Mayor Speaks

Mayor Gallatin Roberts then urged the audience to vote early tomorrow and solicit the vote of their friends. "Never in the history of the city have we faced such an important issue," the Mayor stated.

The mayor again branded as false all rumors that the city schools would be involved in the success of the annexation plan. The crowd was very liberal in their applause and several times forced the city chief executive to stop speaking until echoes of applause from the throats of his hearers died out.

George Pennell and Thomas Rollins addressed a general ninth precinct mass meeting at the Park Avenue School last night after the meeting was held on the square. Bitter denunciation of the tactics used by [illegible] at this meeting. Mr. Pennell and Mr. Rollins outlined the purposes of the anti-annexationists and pleaded with the audience to turn in a record vote against "tyranny, terrorizing and tight" Biltmore Forest.

More than 400 voters of this precinct jammed the school auditorium to hear the speakers. During the meeting several voters were brought to the stage of the auditorium of the school and introduced to the audience as men who were [illegible] as being "dead."

Asheville Citizen April 30, 1929

West Asheville To Vote Again On Greater City

The Municipalities Were Combined By 1917 Election

Today the citizens of West Asheville will journey to the community polls and for the second time in the history of the western section of Asheville cast their ballots in a city extension election

The first Greater Asheville election in which West Asheville voters participated was held in 1917 at which time the then minature municipality was voted and incorporated a part of Asheville by a large majority. At that time the population of the community was approximately 3,000 which has since grown to 20,000, thus necessitating the voting of a much larger number of citizens today.

Rapid Growth

Pointing out the growth in wealth industry, boundaries, and population of West Asheville during the past twelve years ardent supporters of the present extension bill have expressed the belief that the greater percentage of the West Asheville vote today will be chalked up on the favorable side when the final count out is completed.

Sponsored by community groups and citizens and augmented by the efforts of outside interests the section has been the scene of an extensive supporting movement for the past several weeks, and workers stated yesterday that indications point to a large vote for the Greater Asheville plan.

Numerous proponents of the extension movement have addressed community gatherings, and local citizens have circulated detailed statements in which they stressed the importance of the proposed extension of the city limits and urged the united support of voters at the polls today.

Speakers

These include H. B. Posey, president of the West Asheville Club; Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, president of the West Asheville Community Club; Dr. H. G. Brookshire, Howard Clayton and others. Workers who have addressed community gatherings include Mrs. Gaskins, Thomas S. Rollins, R. R. Williams, Dr. H. B. Trimble, Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Representative Don C. Young and others.

West Asheville precinct workers, who have been actively engaged for several weeks include Mayor Roberts, Representative Young, Bert Starnes, D. T. Jarrett, H. B. Posey, Hugh Sowers, Roy Moore, F. S. Smith, Ben H. Evans, Furman Rymer, Oscar Howard, C. G. Greene, Mrs. C. E. Parham, Mrs. F. W. Bordner, Sheriff J. J. Bailey, Paul Pitillo, Carl Logan, Dan T. Haynie, A. L. Duckett, Ed Winslow, John Odom, V. B. Bradley, W. S. McRary, H. L. Williams, J. E. Divelbiss, Mrs. Paul Sales, Plato D. Ebbs, B. B. Jones, Hubert Johnson

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ANNEXATION FORCES WIN OVERWHELMING VICTORY

City Leaders Vision Dawn Of New Day In Asheville

Mayor Roberts, Happy, Thanks Voters For Work

Sees New Era Opening Up For City As Result Of Extension

When informed as to the outcome of the city extension election, last night, Mayor Gallatin Roberts issued a statement thanking the citizenry of the city and county precincts for their action displayed in the election returns and pledged his best interests to the greater city.

His statement follows:

"The people of this whole community have again demonstrated their abiding faith in Asheville's future. It is the beginning of a new era, and I predict a steady substantial growth in the coming years. New blood and new citizens will mean much to the larger city.

"Many of our finest and most useful citizens were living beyond the city limits, and had lost personal touch with the city they love, but now we shall have the benefit of their personal interests and co-operation in matters pertaining to the larger city.

MAYOR ROBERTS

"The people's action today will be broadcast to the world and it will mean much not only to Asheville but to all of Western North Carolina. I am glad that our citizenship let the world know that our city is not standing still, but is looking to the future.

Welcomes New Citizens Of Asheville With Statement

"Capital is turning toward the South as never before, and we are in the direct path for a wonderful development with all of our people standing together and working for one common good we may expect industry after industry to come this way, and too, we should not lose sight of the fact that our city is destined to become the capital of a resort region unrivalled in any part of the country.

"I desire to again pledge my all to the best interests of the people of Greater Asheville."

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TRIUMPH BY 4,816 VOTES REVEALED IN TABULATING RESULTS IN 18 PRECINCTS

6,782 Ballots Are Cast For Extension With 1,966 Against Program; Opponents Are Victorious In Biltmore, Haw Creek And Beaverdam, While Proponents Carry Remaining 15 Precincts

Greater Asheville, dream of civic leaders here for more than a decade, became a reality last night when returns from the 18 precincts affected by annexation, reported less than two hours after the polls closed with the setting sun, revealed victory by a margin of 4,816 votes.

It was the voice of the great silent vote, so many times a ruling factor in Asheville elections, that thundered an unmistakable answer to the question of city expansion and turned what observers had considered a close election, into a landslide.

On June 30, by virtue of the act of the 1929 General Assembly, ratified by the vote of the people in the Greater Asheville area, this city will welcome its new citizens as residents of a new and larger municipality.

The vote by precincts was as follows:

	For	Against
Asheville No. 1	801	40
Asheville No. 2	395	80
Asheville No. 3	343	41
Asheville No. 4	586	97
Asheville No. 5	411	47
Asheville No. 6	285	58
Asheville No. 7	497	95
Asheville No. 8	246	59
Asheville No. 9	481	11
Asheville No. 10	193	15
Asheville No. 11	270	36
Asheville No. 12	305	11
Asheville No. 13	675	50
Asheville No. 14	521	41
Asheville No. 15	814	88
Beaverdam	294	543
Biltmore	99	487
Haw Creek	184	188
Totals	6782	1966

902 Vote In "15"

The largest vote of the day was cast in Precinct Number 15 in West Asheville. The total vote cast there was 902. Beaverdam followed with 837 votes. Precinct Number 12 took third place with a total of 726 votes and Precinct Number Four followed with 683 total.

To Number Nine at Park avenue school went the honor of the greatest margin of victory. Annexation won in this precinct by approximately 44 to 1. Precinct Thirteen carried for Greater Asheville by 13-1. In Precincts Number 10 and 14 the victory was 12 to 1 for extension.

The closest vote was recorded at Haw Creek where the anti-annexationists led by four votes. The tally showed 188 against annexation and 184 for it.

3 Precincts Lost

The anti-annexationists scored victories in only three precincts—Haw Creek, Biltmore and Beaverdam. In Biltmore the majority against Greater Asheville was 388, while in Beaverdam it was only 249.

The first precinct to finish counting after the polls had closed at 7:16 o'clock was Number 11 at Ashland school. The count was completed by 7:45 o'clock.

Number 11 was the second to complete its work, the report of this one having come in within a few minutes after Number 11. Asheville Number 5 was third.

That count was completed with remarkable speed in almost every precinct, the three West Asheville boxes where the vote was unusually heavy having taken the longest to complete the task. The full returns were in hand by shortly after nine o'clock.

Board Gets Returns

On the third floor of the county courthouse in the Civic room, where the special elections board, composed of Clarence Blackstock, Reed Kitchen and Irwin Monk, gathered to receive the returns, a large crowd of citizens gathered to await the final report.

As reports from the various precincts began to pour in the enthusiasm of the crowd ran high and the atmosphere was indicative of the fact that the people as a whole were highly gratified over the outcome of the election.

Reports by the various registrars indicated that the election was carried off in complete quiet and decorum, without any sort of disturbances or arguments to mar the day.

The weather favored the voters, the skies having been relatively clear most of the day. Early in the evening light showers fell.

There was a heavy last minute rush in some precincts, many working people and business men, who were unable to cast their ballots earlier in the day, having waited until after five o'clock to cast their choice in the tensly drawn battle.

In the outside precincts, Haw Creek and Biltmore, the vote was running much lighter than officials had expected.

Officials were stumped throughout the day to guess what the outcome of vote. There appeared to be very heavy silent vote by people who had never expressed their preferances either for or against city extension. Seasoned political prognosticators were unable, in the face of this whispering vote, as they called it, to make any definite deductions from the situation, except to predict that, on the basis of the vote in the outside precincts, that city extension would win.

Most of the Greater Asheville workers cast their ballots early in the morning, as did a vast number of city officials, and business men who were interested in the extension movement. From all indications the friends of city extension made their way to the polls much earlier than the opponents.

In precinct Number One Oscar Barrett was the first man to vote while Dan W. Hill, was second, with Mrs. O. C. Hamilton a close third. In Precinct Number three Ernest Israel was the first vote. In Number 6 the honor went to Miss Eugenia Harrison; in No. 9, Douglas Eller cast the first ballot, while in No. 11, Mrs. L. E. Perry had the honors. Other firsts were Number 12, R. L. Mull; Number 13, J. H. Bailey; Number 14, F. C. Hooper; and Number 15, T. J. Harrison.

Precinct Number Nine had the honor of having the most votes before six o'clock in the morning, more than 50 ballots having been tossed into the hopper before that hour. Most of them were by mill-workers.

A feature of the day was the relatively small number of absentee ballots cast. It was not expected that the total would exceed 300. The last report by Clarence Blackstock, chairman of the special board of elections was to the effect that 128 absentee ballots had been turned in.

This was the first time in the city of Asheville that an election has been held under the new state-wide absentee ballot law. It is required that the names of absentee voting be posted at the entrance to the voting booths.

STATION ACTION EXPECTED SOON

Distance From Siding To Enka Important Factor

Announcement of the decision of the Southern Railway with reference to the proposed establishment of a combination passenger, freight and express depot at Boswell siding, West Asheville, is expected soon, local supporters of the movement, stated yesterday.

Petitions were forwarded to Chairman W. T. Lee, of the Corporation Commission early in March by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Merchants association, who presented the matter to officials of the railroad in Washington for consideration.

It has been pointed out that the distance from the siding to the American Enka plant will be an important factor in determining the outcome of the movement. Should the distance be three miles or less, it is said that the railroad would not necessarily be obligated in the matter, while if the two points should be over three miles apart, the chances are that the station will be established.

At the last meeting of the West Asheville Club, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, chairman of the public improvements committee, stated that the distance was close to three and eight-tenths miles. It has been pointed out that the new West Asheville-Enka highway will reduce the distance about one-half a mile, which would leave a margin of three-tenths miles over the required mileage. The statement of Dr. Brookshire was based on figures obtained from a measurement it was said.

The station movement is being strongly supported by the two organizations, in addition to Representative Don C. Young, Chairman Lee and others.

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Junior Musicians To Give WWNC Program

The semi-monthly musical program of the Blanchard Junior Music Club, of West Asheville, will be broadcast from Station WWNC, "The Voice of The Citizen," Friday afternoon from 5 until 5:30 o'clock. Pupils of Mrs. Thomas Allen Curry and Miss Blanche Loftain will appear on the program which includes a number of solo selections by Miss Wilma Corn, a member of the club. Mrs. Curry, pianist, will accompany the junior artists.

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VANDALS INVADE VANDALIA STREET AND TAKE PLANTS

Thieves Monday stole potted plants from two residences on Vandalia street, it was reported to the police department yesterday.

Tate Haynes, of 114 Vandalia street reported the theft of a Christmas cactus and two maple leaf begonias. Mrs. W. A. Bell, of 60 Vandalia street reported the theft of three blooming geraniums and one maple leaf begonia. Police investigated but no arrests have been made.

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West Asheville Folks Make Campaign Plans

Their plans augmented by the success of preliminary work, the West Asheville Community Club, aided by other civic organizations, schools, churches and citizens, will launch the annual "Clean-Up Campaign" in West Asheville tomorrow morning.

The cooperation of both the Community Club and the West Asheville Club in conducting the campaign has been pledged the city officials, and plans to make the event community wide in West Asheville have been made.

At the annual banquet of the Community Club L. B. Rogers, commissioner of public works, in a brief address outlined the plans and purpose of the campaign, and in return received assurances of cooperation from members of both clubs.

Garden Prizes

During Better Homes Week which closed April 28, the Community Club under the supervision of the president, Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins sponsored a yard and garden improvement contest which was entered by a large number of contestants. Prizes were awarded and a check up revealed that a large percentage of the yards, lawn and gardens in the community had been improved and beautified by their owners. The model homes exhibition conducted in connection with the Better Homes Week movement attracted hundreds of local and out of town visitors, and the success of the movement resulted in a similar event being started in Skyland, several miles away. Last week Mrs. Gaskins and Mrs. J. G. Anderson, representing the Community Club, representing a meeting of Skyland women and assisted in launching the community improvement campaign.

The campaign is in charge of a committee of which Mrs. Dora W. Doe is president, and plans include the beautification of lawns, grounds and gardens in the town, and the planting of trees along the highway. The committee will not plan a model homes exhibit, but will concentrate their efforts on the entire community with the plan in mind to make every home and its grounds as near model as possible.

Stanley H. Wright, city engineer, who recently discussed the "Clean-Up Campaign" before the West Asheville Club, spoke Friday on the movement at Eugene Rankin and Vance schools.

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WEST ASHEVILLE FIRM ORGANIZED

Johnson Is President Of Corporation; Store Bought

The offical personnel of the West Asheville Furniture company, Incorporated, was announced yesterday as follows: W. S. Johnson, president; Glenn Starnes, vice-president; and Bert Starnes, secretary-treasurer. The officers compose the members of the firm which was recently incorporated at $50,000 following the purchase of the old West Asheville Funiture company at 440 Haywood road, where the new concern will be located, and the organization of the company.

The concern will conduct a new and used furniture business and a furniture exchange. Bert Starnes returned from Knoxville last Friday where an order for stock shipments was placed, and the formal opening will be held soon, it was announced yesterday. The old firm name has been applied to the incorporation, but the entire personnel and ownership have been changed, Mr. Starnes stated. The old owners were G. G. Morgan, L. G. Hymes and O. V. Himes.

Mr. Starnes will continue his connection with the Mutual Coal company, Inc., of which he is secretary.

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Adult School Classes To Meet Friday Night

The four classes of the Aycock night school, West Asheville, will meet Friday night at 7:30 o'clock for a continuation of the study series on Washington and other interesting subjects, it was announced yesterday. The Pine Grove school has been combined with the Aycock school and all classes are held at the latter place.

The faculty is composed of Mrs. J. M. Day, Mrs. J. C. Duncan, Miss Flossie Day and Miss Bonnie Whitaker. Close to 125 students are enrolled.

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ENKA ROAD WORK MAKES PROGRESS

Grading Of Four-Mile Stretch Over Half Completed

Grading of the four mile section of the West Asheville-Enka highway is over one-half completed, it was announced yesterday. The grading work is being done by the Lee Smith company, and the paving contract has been awarded by the board of county commissioners to the Asheville Paving company at a consideration of $86,950.

No definite date for the pouring of concrete and asphalt has been set, officials of the paving company stated yesterday, since the exact date when grading will be completed is unknown.

The road is to be 20 feet wide, eight inches thick on the edges and six inches thick in the center, and will be constructed in such a manner that widening to 30 feet will be possible. The surface will be concrete with a center asphalt strip

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TALENTED ASHEVILLE GIRL

Miss Frances Felmet, charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Felmet, 174 Brucemont Circle, Asheville, appeared on Tuesday evening in her graduate recital as a senior in dramatic art at Greensboro College. Miss Felmet is one of the most talented students at the Greensboro institution and besides high honor in dramatic activities, she has edited the college magazine this year and has been active in various other fields.

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CALVARY PASTOR TO COMPLETE HIS 11TH. YEAR TODAY

The Rev. J. B. Grice, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, West Asheville, will end his eleventh consecutive year as pastor today. Mr. Grice was elected in 1918, assuming his duties the first Sunday in May of that year.

January 3, 1909, Mr. Grice who was then Superintendent of the West End Baptist church Sunday school, attended a meeting held in the old Odd Fellows Hall on Haywood road and assisted in the organization of the church, several years before he entered the ministry.

In 1906 the pastor attended a meeting at which a West Asheville Sunday school was organized under the auspices of the West End Baptist church. That was 23 years ago, and since Mr. Grice has been closely connected with the growth of the Baptist church in West Asheville and other sections of Western North Carolina.

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CIVIC GROUP TO MEET WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Hauk To Honor The Community Club At Home Meeting

A general meeting of the officers and members of the West Asheville Community Club will be held at the home of Mrs. C. C. Hauk, 165 Vermont avenue, Wednesday night at 8 o'clock, it has been announced. Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, president, will preside with the other new officers of the club, and a general business and social program has been arranged.

Mrs. W. E. Logan, delegate of the club to the North Carolina Federated Clubs convention which adjourned at Charlotte Friday, will give a report of the meeting, and it is probable that the "Clean-Up Campaign" and other matters of interest to the club will be discussed.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Hauk was the model large home in the recent Better Homes Week exhibit sponsored by the Community Club under the supervision of Mrs. Gaskins, Mrs. R. H. Officer, and others.

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Large Crowds Inspect West Asheville Home

Large crowds inspected the new West Asheville home of Brownell-Dunn, funeral directors, at its formal opening Friday and Saturday, it was announced yesterday. The home which is located at 756 Haywood road, was open from 3 until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and from 8 until 10 o'clock in the evening. Arthur E. Dunn is manager.

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STUDENTS ADOPT CAROLINA SONG

Night School Singers Partial To Theme Of Selection

Because they were unanimously partial to the theme, the West Asheville night school pupils have selected "The North Carolina Hills" as their favorite song along with the pupils in the other county night schools. The author of the lines is unknown, but the song itself is known by practically everyone of the pupils who attend the "moonlight schools," as the adult schools are sometimes called.

Under the supervision of Mrs. J. M. Day and other members of the faculty the Aycock night school pupils have learned the song which they sing frequently when classes gather.

The stanzas and chorus follows:

THE NORTH CAROLINA HILLS

Oh! The North Carolina hills!
How majestic and how grand
With their summits pointing skyward
To the vaulted heavens grand.
Is it any wonder then
That our heart with rapture thrills
As we stand once more with loved ones
On the North Carolina hills.

CHORUS

Oh! The Hills! Beautiful hills!
How we love the North Carolina hills!
If o'er land and sea we roam
Still we'll think of happy home.
And the friends among the North Carolina hills.

Oh! The North Carolina hills!
How unchanged they seem to stand,
With their summits bathed in glory
Like the fair, the promised land.
Many changes we can see
Which the heart with sadnes fills,
But no change can e'er be noticed
In the North Carolina hills!

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Adult School Pupils Plan Annual Outing

The pupils of the Aycock night school will go on their annual outing and picnic Tuesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, it has been announced. The Recreation park has been selected by the faculty and pupils as the ideal place for a good time, and for the trip. The night school session for Tuesday night will be omitted.

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Dr. Owens, Aviator Will Fly At Fletcher Field

Dr. J. E. Owen, well known local aviator, who has spent the winter in Miami, Fla., where he participated in the Miami Air Meet, arrived at the T. J. Roberts flying field at Fletcher, yesterday.

Pending the joining of the Pitcairn Air Mail service within the next few weeks Dr. Owens will fly Mr. Robert's Stinson-Detroiter, and haul passengers from the flying field at Fletcher.

The field, the pilot said last night, is in excellent shape.

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Committee To Discuss Boswell Station Plan

Dr. H. G. Brookshire, chairman of the committee on public improvements, of the West Asheville Club, yesterday announced the appointment of a committee to discuss the proposed Boswell siding railroad station with W. F. Cooper, division superintendent of the Southern railway, Asheville.

The conference will be held at an early date just as soon as an appointment can be made with Mr. Cooper, it was said. Members of the committee are Representative Don C. Young, President H. B. Posey and Frank J. Austin, all of the West Asheville Club.

All three with other officers and members of the civic club and the West Asheville Merchants association have been active in their support of the station movement since it was launched at a meeting of the club early in March.

Mr. Young discussed the situation with Chairman W. T. Lee of the Corporation Commission early in March, and both he and other local supporters were assured by the chairman that the station movement would receive the favorable consideration of the commission.

A group of high officials of the Southern who visited Asheville and West Asheville last week stated that the purpose of their trip was to inspect the American Enka plant with reference to plans for the construction of a station there, and did not in any way involve the West Asheville station.

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Mrs. Lanning To Open Gift Exchange Shop

Mrs. W. E. Lanning who recently purchased the Gift Exchange at 50 Highland street from Mrs. E. H. Clevenger, will open a gift exchange shop at 52 Virginia avenue, West Asheville, tomorrow morning, it has been announced. Various articles of home made clothing and other items will be on sale and orders will be taken for hemstitching, picoting, smocking, sewing, cakes, candies and monograms.

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Funeral Is Held For Aged Veteran Sunday

Funeral service for Ransome Penley, 86, Confederate veteran, who died at his home at 44 Hazel Mill road, West Asheville, Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, was conducted at Gash's Creek Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The veteran was a member of the Zeb Vance Camp of Confederate Veterans, and is survived by his widow, several children and grandchildren.

Asheville Citizen May 7, 1929

Druggist Resting Well At Hospital

Dr. Q. T. Bilbro, West Asheville druggist, was reported resting well at the French Broad hospital yesterday where he was taken last Friday night. Dr. Bilbro is manager of Bilbro's Drug Store on Haywood Road.

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WEST ASHEVILLE CITIZENS RECALL THREE ELECTIONS

In 1917 the citizens of West Asheville, voting in their first election held in conjunction with the city of Asheville, voted to become a part of a greater municipality.

April 30, 1929, in its second city extension election, the community gave 2004 of 2183 votes deposited in ballot boxes at the three West Asheville precincts in support of the Greater Asheville movement.

Ten years ago yesterday, May 7, 1929, the community participated in its first election of city officials and assisted in electing as mayor of Asheville one of its own citizens, Gallatin Roberts.

The three elections were the subject of discussion among a group of citizens yesterday who were inclined to be in a reminiscent mood as they recalled interesting incidents connected with the growth of West Asheville in recent years and other phases of community history.

Mayor Roberts is an active member of the West Asheville Club and takes much interest in community affairs. His home is at 134 Brevard road.

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WEST ASHEVILLE GROUP TO GATHER

Community Club Plans General Program For Tonight

The West Asheville Community club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Hauk, 185 Vermont avenue, tonight at 8 o'clock, for a general business and social program. Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, the president, will preside with the other new members of the club who were elected for the fiscal year at the last meeting.

Mrs. W. E. Logan, delegate from the club to the state convention of the North Carolina Federated Clubs held in Charlotte last week, will report the convention to the meeting and the program includes other features of community interest.

It is probable that the "Clean-up" campaign being sponsored by the club in addition to other city groups, will be given an important place on the program. The campaign was launched in West Asheville Monday morning and due to much successful preliminary work on the part of the club is community-wide in scope. Previously many lawns, gardens, yards, and homes had been beautified and improved through the club's activities and the city officials have been pledged the full co-operation of the community civic organizations.

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WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB TO GATHER

Major Stone To Speak On Vacations For City Boys

The semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville Club will open at Hall Fletcher junior high school tonight at 7 o'clock with luncheon served by the Asheville Chapter 191 Order of the Eastern Star.

President H. B. Posey will preside, and a varied program consisting of speaking, routine business and music by local talent has been arranged by the committee in charge of C. B. Anderson.

Major W. B. Stone, of the law firm of Stone and Freeman, Asheville, will be the principal speaker of the evening. His subject will be "Summer Vacations for Boys," and is expected to prove of unusual interest to the club members at this time.

The public improvements committee headed by Dr. H. G. Brookshire is expected to report on activities since the last meeting, and the information bureau committee composed of Secretary Bert Starnes, Dr. Brookshire and J. Oscar Barrett will also report on plans for the proposed establishment of a series of information bureaus in West Asheville for the benefit of tourists, visitors and others.

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New West Asheville Post Office Almost Completed

With all exterior construction work practically completed it is probable that the new West Asheville postoffice building which is being constructed on Haywood road by J. T Bledsoe and company, of Asheville, will be ready for occupancy several days prior to July 1, the designated date for completion, it was stated yesterday.

The plans of the concern as announced recently provide for the completion of the building by June 15 so that the installation of equipment can begin in time to allow all boxes, furniture and other fixtures to be placed in the required time

The building will cost approximately $10,000 to construct, and is located near the Bledsoe building and Palace theater near the end of the car line. Work began several weeks ago and brick work is now finished.

The branch office now located in Bilbro's drug store will be discontinued and another contract opened in Sheider's drug store near the site of the present postoffice when the new office is occupied, postoffice officials have announced.

The new Bledsoe building, adjoining the postoffice, which will cost approximately $25,000, is well underway, and the Bledsoe concern plans to complete it by August 1.

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CURB MARKET TO BE CONSIDERED

Profitable System Is Possible For Local Growers, Report

A committee headed by W. S. McRary will report on an investigation of the possibilities of establishing a proposed curb market system in West Asheville at the next meeting of the West Asheville Club, it was stated yesterday. Mr. McRary was appointed chairman of the committee by President H. B. Posey at a meeting of the club Thursday night, and already has plans underway to give the matter careful consideration.

The system would probably be established along Haywood road and would be supplied by produce from the farms of growers in rural sections on close proximity to West market for farmers, many of whom market for farmers, many of home trade with local concerns, making the system a mutual benefit proposition.

It has been pointed out that farmers in the Leicester, Hominy and other sections market a great deal of produce in the city during spring, summer and autumn, and that local vegetables, fruits and other produce would be adequate for sales in conducting the market.

Prominent farmers in outlying sections will probably be consulted and a suitable plan formulated at an early date for presentation at the next meeting of the club, it was said yesterday.

Asheville Citizen May 11, 1929

AYCOCK CLASS OF '29 TO GRADUATE FIFTEEN PUPILS

The 1929 graduating class at Aycock night school is composed of fifteen members who are to receive their certificates May. 25 with one exception, the class president, C. F. Jenkins. Mr. Jenkins completed his course last year, but not his interest, so he has been attending regularly ever since. Constantly urging the other pupils to do their best, and an active worker in the "moonlight school," this student has practically educated himself by attending the classes at night after completing his day's work.

Dr. L. E. Alderman, of Washington, D. C., national director of adult education, will attend the night school commencement exercises, and award the class certificates.

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HOSIERY MILL TO OPEN IN 10 DAYS

West Asheville Plant To Operate On Two Regular Shifts

Operation on regular schedule at the $250,000 plant of the Asheville Silk Hosiery Mills, Beaver View road, West Asheville, is slated to begin within approximately 10 days, officials of the company stated yesterday.

The plant will operate on two shifts, one day and one night, with a force of approximately 60 employes, and a high grade of silk hosiery will be manufactured.

The building was begun last December and was completed over a month ago. Since, the installation of machinery has been underway, tests have been made, and employes placed in training. Raw silk thread is used in the manufacture of the various styles of hosiery, which is sold to a high class jobber and wholesale clientile. A total of sixteen machines installed in units of two is planed, several of which are already in place, and regular outputs of mass production is planned by the company, it has been announced.

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NEWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE

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Boswell-Enka Distance Figures Are Announced

The matter of distance, the most probable determining factor in the outcome of the movement to secure a combined passenger, express and freight station at Boswell siding, West Asheville, has been decided.

Following a measuring survey Friday, a committee appointed by President H. B. Posey of the West Asheville Club, which is listed among the most active supporters of the movement, reported that the distance from Boswell siding to the proposed site of the Southern station to be erected at the American Enka plant is slightly in excess of three and five-tenths miles.

It has been pointed out that should the site of the proposed station be over three miles from the nearest railway station then the Southern railway company is more or less obligated to favorable consideration of the request that a local station be built so as to afford more adequate service.

The committee composed of Frank J. Austin and C. F. Byerly will report these figures and data to the West Asheville Club which will later forward them to Chairman W. T. Lee, of the Corporation Commission, Raleigh, for attention.

Immediately after the station movement was broached at a meeting of the club early in March Secretary Bert Starnes took the matter up by correspondence with Chairman Lee. The West Asheville Merchants association through its secretary, V. F. Brown, also supported the movement, and after receiving the letters and conferring with Representative D. C. Young, former president of the club, in Raleigh, Chairman Lee informed the local groups that he had taken the matter up with Southern officials and was in favor of the proposed station.

Recently the matter of distance was introduced and since the exact mileage was considered doubtful President Posey at the suggestion of Gilbert H. Morris, member of the club, and others appointed the committee last Thursday night.

Mr. Morris who is vice president of the Wachovia Bank and Trust company, Asheville branch, has offered to donate a site at Boswell siding for the proposed station.

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CHURCHES PLAN HONOR PROGRAM

West Asheville Folks To Hold Mother's Day Services

Today the West Asheville church congregations from the youngest member of the beginners department to the oldest member of each church will join in a special service in honor of Mother's Day.

Under the supervision of the pastors, Sunday school superintendents and departmental leaders program including music and other appropriate features have been arranged, and today is expected to see a record attendance at every church.

At the Presbyterian church, the Rev. J. S. Millholland, pastor, will preach, and a special musical program will be given. All departments will take part in the exercises which will begin with the morning service.

George H. Thompson, organist and choir leader, will have charge of the musical program at the Methodist church. The junior choir and all departments will participate.

The Rev. J. S. Hiatt, pastor, will preach at both morning and evening services. At the morning service his subject will be "Womanhood of the Nation" while in the evening at 8 o'clock, he will speak on "Where is Mother?"

Calvary Program

Assisted by the Rev. J. B. Grice, pastor, W. S. Johnson, general Sunday school superintendent, will have charge of the program at Calvary Baptist church.

The following outline of service has been arranged by the program committee under the supervision of Prof. W. M. Hunt, chairman:

At 9:30 o'clock all Sunday school departments will meet in class rooms for regular program; 10:30 o'clock, mass meeting in auditorium of all departments. Prayer by the pastor; quartet, "Memories of Mother;" "Song of Greetings" by primary department chorus; Address: "Welcome to Mother" by Ellis C. Jones; response, Mrs. W. E. Logan; solo, "The Sweetest Story Ever Told," by Miss Mattie Bell Jones; special Mother's Day offering to Baptist orphanage at Winston-Salem; song, "Tell Mother I'll Be There," by congregation, led by George Starnes; organ prelude, sermon at 11 o'clock by pastor. Subject: "The Victory of Faith."

The Hazel Green and Horney sights Free Will Baptist churches, the Church of the Nazarene, Wesleyan Methodist, Church of Christ and all other community church will also conduct special programs.

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Bruce Emory Research

PIRATE COAST IS OPERETTA THEME

Harmony Musicians To Present Program At Aycock

The famous Barbary pirates coast of the old sailing and clipper ship period, when the Algerian pirates sailed forth from their secret lairs along the Mediterranean coast to attack and pillage the ships of all nations is the theme of the musical operetta, "Barbarossa of Barbary," which is to be presented by the Harmony Music Club, of Asheville, at Aycock School, West Asheville, Friday night at 8:30 o'clock.

Characters include Barbarossa, a Greek leader of an Algerian pirate crew; the Bey of Morocco, Commodore Decatur, of the United States navy; a chorus of Spanish dancing girls; Barbarossa's beautiful daughter, Althea; French soldiers, servants and others, all of whom combine in a cast of close to sixty actors and actresses in what is said to be one of the most commendable and satisfactory amateurical productions ever gotten up in the city.

Night School

The program is to be given in the interests of the night schools, and is being sponsored jointly by the Harmony group and the Aycock night school faculty. The club orchestra has arranged a special program for the operetta, and regular rehearsals have been underway for several weeks under the supervision of Mrs. Nell Tayler Harmon, president of the club.

Those who will handle the principal roles include H. B. Harmon, Barbarossa; Miss Johnnie Rogers, a lady in waiting at Barbarossa's court; Miss Maude Mallonee, who will lead the Spanish chorus; Leno Solary, Commodore Decatur; Richard Hamer, the Bey of Morocco; Miss June Bridges Underwood, Althea, Barbarossa's daughter; Miss Alma Stanberry, her Spanish servant; Shafer Dowin, captain of a captured Spanish ship; and Jim Crow, Commodore Decatur's colored servant, J. B. Underwood.

Synopsis

The synopsis of the operetta which consists of two acts is as follows:

Barbarossa, a regenerate Greek, makes himself ruler of a band of Algerian pirates, who have a secret hiding place in Algiers on the African coast. Preying on shipping from all countries, the enmity of the United States is soon aroused by the activities of the pirate chief and his followers. Commodore Decatur of the United States Navy is ordered to servant, proceeds to school the pirate in the American art of gambling as it is done among his kind back on an old Southern plantation. A victim to the skillful playing of Jim, Barbarossa after losing a large amount of money in various games of chance, becomes angry. He rebels and is about to cast Commodore Decatur, Ferdinand, the captain of a captured Spanish ship, and Jim into prison. However, his plans are interrupted by the arrival of the Spanish consul, who informs him that 40,000 Spanish soldiers have taken the city of Algiers, and that the only way he can save his life is to abdicate his throne and flee, taking the Bey of Morocco with him.

All Ends Well

This leaves the lovers, including Ferdinand and Althea's Spanish servant girl, to enjoy their happiness and love together, and all ends well, even for Barbarossa and the Bey of Morocco, who decide to go to New York together and open a Greek restaurant, with Jim Crow employed as cook and culinary artist.

The operetta sparkles with comedy, pathos and interesting historical drama from the opening lines to the curtain, those who have witnessed rehearsals say, and the costumes are said to be realistic and very beautiful.

Jim Crow stars in the comical role and adds to the operetta numerous mirth provoking situations. He has a Possessor with a fast line of "sales talk," in a very impressive and elaborate manner he enlightens the pi-

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HOSIERY MILL TO OPEN IN 10 DAYS

West Asheville Plant To Operate On Two Regular Shifts

Operation on regular schedule at the $250,000 plant of the Asheville Silk Hosiery Mills, Beaver View road, West Asheville, is slated to begin within approximately 10 days, officials of the company stated yesterday.

The plant will operate on two shifts, one day and one night, with a force of approximately 60 employes, and a high grade of silk hosiery will be manufactured.

The building was begun last December and was completed over a month ago. Since, the installation of machinery has been underway, tests have been made, and employes placed in training. Raw silk thread is used in the manufacture of the various styles of hosiery, which is sold to a high class jobber and wholesale clientile. A total of sixteen machines installed in units of two is planed, several of which are already in place, and regular outputs of mass production is planned by the company, it has been announced.

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Mayor Is First Customer

Little Mary Eleanor Smith, granddaughter of Mrs. Whitefoord G. Smith, president of the Buncombe county chapter, American War Mothers, sold Mayor Roberts the first carnation opening the sale conducted by the War Mothers chapter. Proceeds from the sale of the flowers will be used in relief work among disabled veterans. —Staff Photo by Michael

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LITERARY GROUP TO HONOR AUTHOR

To Place Wreath On O. Henry's Grave In Riverside Plot

Plans to honor the late O. Henry by placing a wreath on his grave in Riverside cemetery on June 11, are underway by the literary department of the West Asheville Community Club, it was announced yesterday.

The suggestion that the group honor the famous author was made by the Rev. Clarence Stuart McClellan, Jr., rector of Old Calvary Episcopal church, Fletcher, in an address before the officers and members held recently at the home of Mrs. W. E. Logan, 124 Logan avenue. The rector, who is a noted student and admirer of O'Henry's works, spoke on "The Life and Work of O. Henry."

Mrs. Edward P. Barry is chairman of the literary department, and Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins is president of the Community Club.

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Locke Craig Lodge To Gather Tonight

The Locke Craig Council, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, of West Asheville, will meet tonight on Hanover street at 7:30 o'clock. All local and visiting members of the order have been invited to attend.

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WEST ASHEVILLE BABY SHOW TODAY

Tiny Citizens To Meet For Competition In Prize Event

The West Asheville Better Babies show will open at the West Asheville Methodist church this afternoon at 1 o'clock, when numerous tiny citizens of the community will gather for competition in various events and prize contests.

The show is being sponsored by Circle 5 of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society, and is open to all babies from three months to three years of age. All contestants will be judged on physical merits, rather than dress or beauty, consequently the boys appear highly elated over their prospects for a good showing. All babies entered will be examined by trained nurses, and souvenirs will be awarded to all entrants.

The prize awards will include $5 to first prize winner, offered by the society; $2.50 for second prize winner, offered by the Bank of West Asheville; and three other prizes of $1.00 each to be given the next prize winning youngsters.

Concerns assisting in the event are the West Asheville Pharmacy, Barker's department store, Teague's grocery store, Bryant's Drug store, Shelder-Brookshire Pharmacy, and Howard's studio. Three photographs to the first prize winner will be awarded by the studio, in addition to one each to the other babies who win prizes.

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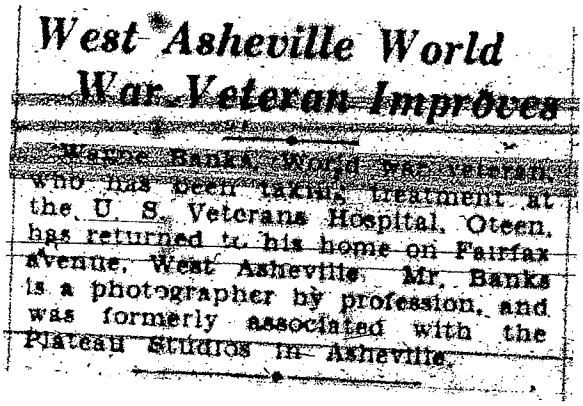

West Asheville World War Veteran Improves

Wayne Banks, World War veteran, who has been taking treatment at the U. S. Veterans Hospital, Oteen, has returned to his home on Fairfax avenue, West Asheville. Mr. Banks is a photographer by profession, and was formerly associated with the Plateau Studios in Asheville.

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TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1929

Merchants Association Plans Annual Program

Asheville Citizen Is Among New Members Of W. A. Group

With a total of 65 members enrolled and various plans of major importance to the business interests of West Asheville slated for discussion the annual meeting of the West Asheville Merchants Association to be held at Hall Fletcher high school tomorrow night, at 7:30 o'clock is expected to be one of the most interesting and largely attended gatherings held since the association was organized.

Under the supervision of President John May and Secretary V. F. Brown, plans for the meeting are being made and the program will include the annual banquet to be served by members of Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star.

Rating Book

One of the most important matters to be discussed will be final plans for the publication of a credit rating book. The book is being sponsored by the association and is part of a proposed mutual benefit credit system now underway in the interests of business men and customers.

Secretary Brown yesterday announced a list of members of the association, the first eight of which are new members.

The Asheville Citizen, Felmet Brothers, groceries; West Asheville Pharmacy, Southern Hardware corporation, J. F. Rodes, furniture, Rea's Cash Store, Bilbro Drug Store; Jarvis Service station; H. F. Rice, groceries; Boswell Coal company; Barker's Department store; Philco Battery company; Ingle Grocery company, Mutual Coal company, Roberts Grocery company, Snyder-Warlick Furniture company, Woody Brothers Bakery; West Asheville Furniture company, Teague's Market, Bank of West Asheville, Southern Fish and Grocery company; Ideal Paint and Varnish company; Dr. J. L. Spaulding, W. A. Wilson Plumbing company, Dr. G. D. Gardner, Atkins Lumber company; Biltmore Coal company; Reliance Coal company, Ebbs Brothers company, Beaman Lumber company.

Asheville Bakery, French Broad Laundry, Union Transfer company, Carolina Creamery, Folsom Transfer company, C. F. Pinkston Grocery company; Asheville Ice company, Holland Furnace company, Montfremount Gardens, J. V. Parker and company, West Asheville Hardware company; Griffin's Garage, J. A. Baker Packing company; Horney Heights Grocery company; G. W. Davis department store; Dr. W. F. Russell; Palace Cleaners; Dr. A. R. R. Davies; Universal Motor company, Sterchi Brothers company; G. R. Bennett, grocer; Grand View Dairy, Bennett's Cleaners; Smathers Coal company; Central Bank and Trust company; Rhoads' Dairy, Carolina Power and Light company, Olive's Store, Campbell-Cox company, Sutton-Osborne Supply company, Mays Market, Webb Motor company, Haywood Cleaners and Dyers, Gardner's Shoe hospital, and National Cleaners and Dyers.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE BABY SHOW OPEN TO LOCAL BABIES

All West Asheville babies from three months to three years of age are eligible to entry in the baby show which is to be held at the West Asheville Methodist church from 1 until 6 o'clock, Friday afternoon, May 31, it was announced yesterday.

All babies entered will be examined by a trained nurse, and a strong physique and good health will be considered rather than beauty in awarding prizes.

The show is being sponsored by Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society of the church. Prizes for winning contestants and souvenirs for all entrants have been donated by West Asheville merchants.

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New West Asheville Post Office To Open June 30

Formal opening of the new West Asheville post office building has been set for Sunday, June 30

Monday, July 1, the U S. post office department will assume ownership of the building for a period of ten years under lease at which time the new institution will begin doing business, J. T. Bledsoe stated yesterday

Mr. Bledsoe of the firm of J. T Bledsoe and company, constructors and owners of the building on Haywood road, stated that all exterior construction work has been completed, and that the interior is finished except plastering and the installation of plumbing fixtures.

Installation of equipment by the Bledsoe company for the government will begin between June 7 and 10 and the building will be completed about June 5, ten days earlier than was planned when construction work began.

The front of the building is of cream tapestry brick with an arched entrance, and the entire structure will cost close to $10,000, with equipment estimated at $5,000. The equipment will consist of combination lock boxes modern mail sorting and storage conveniences, an inspector's department, and other features.

The new Bledsoe building which is being constructed adjoining the post office is also nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy by July 15, 15 days earlier than was planned, Mr. Bledsoe stated. This building which will cost approximately $25,000 will consist of two stories, basement and lodge hall.

The sidewalk in front of the post office has been widened to twelve feet and paved, and similar improvements for the outside of the business structure are planned.

When the new office opens July 1 the branch contract office which is now located at Bilbro's drug store at the end of the carline will be moved to Sheider's pharmacy near

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MINISTER TO END PASTORAL DUTIES

West Asheville Pastor Conducts Successful Work From Pulpit

The Rev. J. S. Milholland, supply pastor of the West Asheville Presbyterian church, will preach his final sermon on Sunday, July 28, it was announced yesterday. The announcement followed the reception of a wire from the Rev. W. F. Creason, of Crowley, La., advising the congregation of his acceptance of the pastorate of the church. The message came several days ago, and also stated that as a matter of formal attention, his final acceptance depended upon the approval of the Presbyterian board under which he is now working.

The Rev. Mr. Milholland, formerly of Pittsburg, has conducted a very successful and helpful work during his term as acting pastor, he and Mrs. Milholland having been especially active in working among the young people's organizations.

The Rev. Mr. Creason is expected to arrive in the city about August 11. He was called to the pastorate at a congregational meeting held several weeks ago, several Sundays after he had preached at the church while attending the Presbyterian conference at Monti-[illegible]t.

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CRESON TO BEGIN WORK AUGUST 18

West Asheville Church Calls Pastor From Louisiana City

The Rev. W. F. Creson, of Crowley, Louisiana, who recently accepted the pastorate of the West Asheville Presbyterian church, will preach his first sermon of the ensuing pastoral year at the church Sunday morning, August 18 at 11 o'clock members of the congregation announced yesterday.

Mrs. Creson and their three children will accompany the pastor here, and they will make their home in West Asheville. They are expected to arrive several days prior to the date when he will begin his work.

The Rev. Mr. Creson was called at a congregational meeting held shortly after he visited the church while attending the annual Presbyterian Conference at Montreat as a commissioner from the Louisiana Presbytery, embracing the southern part of that state. Notice of his acceptance was wired the church officials several days ago.

The new pastor is one of the best known ministers in the Southern Presbytery, and in addition to his church work, is very active in civic organizations and movements. He is now serving his second term as president of the Crowley Rotary Club, one of the largest civic groups in Crowley. He holds a Master's Degree from the Southwestern Presbyterian University, now located at Memphis, Tenn., and took the complete Theological course at the same institution, graduating with honors and a B. D., degree in the spring of 1908.

He was ordained to the ministry by the Louisiana Presbytery on October 8, 1908, and was engaged in Home Mission work until the spring of 1911. In June of that year he was called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Port Gibson, Miss., the location of one of the Presbyterian Synodical schools, Chamberlain-Hunt Academy, where he spent nine years. In April, 1920, he was called to the First Presbyterian church at Ocala, Florida, where he spent almost six years as pastor.

During his work at the Florida church, four Mission points were established and services held in many remote and somewhat isolated sections, while the Ocala church was strengthened in many ways, including the establishment of a building fund for a new church which was completed after the pastor had accepted a new charge.

In June, 1926, he accepted the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Crowley from which he resigned recently to accept the West Asheville charge. An indication of his successful work there during a period of three years is the erection of a new church costing approximately $18,000, which is one of the most beautiful edifices in the city.

The Rev. Mr. Creson has twice represented the Crowley Rotary Club at international conventions and has been very active in its organization and growth. He has expressed much gratification over the opportunity to become engaged in pastoral work here, and the congregation has underway plans for the reception of himself and his family.

Splendid Work

The Rev. J. S. Milholland, supply pastor, who has served the congregation in that capacity for the past several months, will preach the final sermon of his period of pastoral service today. He began serving the church shortly after the resignation of the Rev. P. N. Gresham, former pastor, which took place near the first of this year. Under his supervision a very successful work has been conducted, especially among the young people, and members of the congregation have expressed their appreciation of his interest and splendid service.

Accompanied by Mrs. Gresham, the Rev. Mr. Gresham, who is now pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Savannah, Ga., is expected to arrive in the city the latter part of this week. He will preach at the church next Sunday at both morning and evening services, and a large congregation is expected to attend the services then and today. Mr. and Mrs. Gresham are planning to spend all or a part of their vacation here.

A special honor service and reception for the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Milholland will be held at the church tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. An interesting program has been arranged with all departments taking part, including special music and brief talks by laymen and laywomen of the church, and a social hour.

Mayor Gallatin Roberts will be the principal speaker, and the Men of the Church organization of which R. W. Farr is president, will have charge.

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WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB VOTES TO BEAUTIFY ROAD

Will Plant Shrubbery On River Bank; Committee Is Named.

The West Asheville club, at its semi-monthly meeting Thursday night at the Hall Fletcher high school building, endorsed the proposal of the West Asheville Community club for beautifying a certain section of Haywood Road and voted to send a delegation to the civic meeting at Oct. 6 in honor of the Great Smoky Mountains National park.

Representatives of the community club advised the meeting that the city had agreed to aid them in planting roses on the side of the bank, extending from the river on the west side of Haywood Road about one-fourth mile to Brownwood. The purpose of the project is twofold, it was explained: first, to beautify the section, and secondly, to prevent the dirt bank from falling into the street. A committee, composed of Dr. George F. Baier, Don C. Young and J. E. Divelbliss, was appointed by the club.

The club was asked to send a large delegation to the meeting of civic clubs of Asheville, which will be held at the Battery Park hotel Oct. 6 in honor of the park officials.

The program also included several musical selections and an address by Dr. R. L. Moore, president of Mars Hill college.

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Local Boys Return From Long Journey

Four West Asheville Boys Make 8,000 Mile Tour In $15.00 Ford

After covering parts of twenty-three states part of Canada and Old Mexico, covering more than eight thousand miles in a semi - rejuvenated Ford car, Carrol Miller, Henry Shook, Dewey Gordon and Raymond Bell, accompanied by their German police dog "Tot" returned to Asheville last week and have been busy greeting and bein greeted by old friends and telling travelogues.

Leaving here shortly after the close of school this spring, the quartette first went to Detroit where they pooled their financial resources and purchased a fifteen dollar Ford. The license plate on the car represented an investment of $12.50 which made the mechanical and automotive equipment complete stand them in the sum of $2.50.

Regardless of the cost, however it seems that the car was equal to the test through which it was destined to go as the boys reported that they had little difficulty during the entire trip and that their "buggy" "cadillaced" over hill and through valley without a whimper.

Garnering a can of yellow paint, the four Fordmen covered the little car up in a coat of bright canary and decorated it with the names of their girl friends back home, punctuated here and there with witty quotations and departed from Detroit for points in Canada.

After visiting points of interest in Canada, the "Carolina Special," with its retinue returned to the United States and headed for Kansas where the boys spent some time working in the wheat harvest and then continued on West to the Pacific coast.

Over the old Santa Fe Trail, the Lincoln Highway and the Victory Highway, the "Uncovered Wagon" as the car was also effectively named carried the young men over the plains, deserts and the Rocky Mountains to to California.

From California the party motored over the "Old Southern Route" to Mexico where they visited Juarez and other points of interest, returned to Texas and back to Western North Carolina through Louisiana, Mississippi and other Southern states.

Each of the boys have many interesting tales to tell of their various adventures including catching prairie dogs and jack rabbits in Kansas and other Western states. One of them tells of a Western jack rabbit which they captured which measured forty inches from the tip of his ears to the end of his hind legs. He says these rabbits are "slightly larger" than the native rabbits of the Smoky Mountains.

On one occassion while the boys were working in the wheat fields in Kansas they say they spent one Sunday pouring 750 gallons of water in a prairie dog hole, but they say that they have not yet seen this particular animal since the time he made his dive into this hole.

One large desert hawk was captured alive which measured about thirty-six inches across wing tip to wing tip and the boys planned to bring the bird home with them as an additional mascot but, unfortunately, he died and they abandoned him above the clouds in the Rock Mountains.

Besides enjoying the grandeur of the Rockies, the party enjoyed a swim in the Great Salt Lake of Utah, crossed the Utah desert, saw the Royal Gonge, went through Monarch Pass, which is 11,260 ft. above sea level, viewed the sand hills of California and visited many historic spots in the West and on the Pacific coast.

Much attention was attracted along the route and the boys had the opportunity to some wonderful boosting for Western North Carolina and Asheville. They met a few motor parties from North Carolina and had the pleasure of answering many questions about the Land of the Sky. Everyone seemed greatly interested they say.

During the entire trip the party enjoyed good weather and was caught in a rain only once. They had no top on their car. After leaving California on the return trip they had no trouble whatever not even a puncture, they say.

Although they greatly enjoyed the experience and are of the unanimous opinion that its educational value was great, each of the boys expressed himself as being glad to be home again some of them will return to school here this fall while others plan to go away to school.

CRESON TO BEGIN PASTORAL DUTIES

Presbyterians To Hear New Pastor In West Asheville Today

The Rev. W. F. Creson of Crowley, La., who arrived in Asheville Friday with Mrs. Creson, will preach the first sermon of his new pastoral charge at the West Asheville Presbyterian church this morning at 11 o'clock. The new pastor will also fill the pulpit at the evening services.

The Rev. Mr. Creson with Mrs. Creson and their three children will make their home in Brucemont Circle, West Asheville, where the new parsonage is located.

The new pastor was called at a congregational meeting held at the church shortly after he visited West Asheville during the Southern Presbyterian Conference at Montreat this year. While here, the congregation invited him to preach at the church, and he did so. Later, after he was called, notice of his acceptance which has been granted by the Louisiana Presbytery, was wired the church officials.

Well Known

One of the best known ministers in the Southern Presbytery, the Rev. Mr. Creson has had a wide and varied field of pastoral work to cover during the past several years. He was ordained to the ministry by the Louisiana Presbytery on October 8, 1908, and was engaged in Home Mission work until the spring of 1911. In June of that year he was called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Port Gibson, Miss., where he spent nine years. In April, 1920, he was called to the First Presbyterian church at Ocala, Fla., where he spent almost six years as pastor.

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Built New Church

An indication of his successful work at the Crowley church, is the erection of a new church which cost $18,000 and is one of the most beautiful structures in the city. While at the Florida church, he was instrumental in the establishment of a church fund which was used for a new building after he had completed his work there.

The Rev. P. N. Gresham, former pastor of the West Asheville church, resigned early this year to accept the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Savannah, Ga. Recently he and Mrs. Gresham returned to Savannah after spending their vacation here. The Rev. J. S. Millholland served as supply pastor for several months.

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CITY OFFICIALS TO ATTEND MEET

Engineer To Present Building Line Map Thursday Night

Mayor Gallatin Roberts and members of the city planning commission and the city board of commissioners will meet with members of the West Asheville Club and other interested citizens at Hall Fletcher high school tomorrow night for a conference on the establishment of a proposed building line for Haywood road.

Stanley H. Wright, city engineer, yesterday announced completion of a map and outline of the affected territory which extends from Michigan avenue to Vermont avenue along Haywood road, and allows a 100-foot right of way for the thoroughfare. Lots along the route have not been blocked in on the map, since the plan is yet tentative, it was said.

Members of the planning commission are B. Frank Gudger, chairman, Sam P. Burton and Asbury Burnette. Except Mayor Roberts, all city officials attended a meeting of the club several weeks ago when the matter was discussed, and the conference on schedule is expected to be final. After all plans have been completed, and property owners allowed to express their views, the plan will be formulated into an ordinance for routine attention.

President H. B. Posey will preside and the meeting will open with luncheon at 7 o'clock. Other than committee reports, the entire business session will be given to the conference.

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ROUTING CHANGED IN BUS ORDINANCE FOR W. ASHEVILLE

Other than the selection of a new route, no important changes have been made in the revised Asheville-West Asheville bus line ordinance which is scheduled for a third reading before the city commissioners this morning, it was announced yesterday.

The present route was outlined to begin at the West Asheville bridge and terminate on Sulphur Springs road, swinging eastward to follow Haywood road back to Asheville, and touching Madeline avenue, Haywood road, and Sulphur Springs road.

A delegation appointed by the West Asheville Club is working in the interests of the ordinance under Chairman Howard P. Clayton. Other members are J. O. Barrett, J. W. Easton and E. W. Buckner.

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WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB WILL MEET

Commissioners, Mayor Roberts, Wright To Attend Tonight

The semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville Club will be held at Hall Fletcher high school tonight at 7 o'clock, with Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Stanley H Wright, city engineer, and the city commissioners and city planning commission as guests

The greater part of the business session will be given to a discussion of the proposed building line for Haywood road, and Mr Wright will present for inspection a map and data outlining the right of way and limitations The map will be partly tentative and does not include lot locations along Haywood road, it was said yesterday Interested citizens and taxpayers will be heard by the officials and should the plan be adopted it will be put into effect by an ordinance as soon as possible

President H B Poole will preside and luncheon will be served at 7 o'clock A musical and reading program has been arranged by the committee headed by Chairman C B Anderson

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CLUB TO LAUNCH NEW FISCAL YEAR

Young West Asheville Musicians To Meet Next Saturday

The first meeting of the Blanchard Junior Music Club of West Asheville will be held at the home of Mrs. Robert H. Spiro, 81 Westwood place, next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock when regular recitals and other activities will be resumed, and plans for the ensuing fiscal year outlined.

Mrs. Spiro will have charge of the program, and the president, Miss Mary Stowe, will preside. The musical recital will consist mostly of a [illegible] piano. Mrs. Verne Clarke of the West Asheville Community Club, councillor, will also attend. Mrs. Spiro will direct the study period.

Plans for the periodical Station WWNC musical broadcast programs have not yet been outlined, it was stated yesterday, and it has not been decided whether these programs, which were so popular last season, will be resumed or not. Regular meetings of the club were discontinued in May, but will be held through the fall, winter and spring months, beginning this month.

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LODGE TO STAGE SHOW OCTOBER 17

West Asheville Masons Announce Plans For Large Revue

A cast of 75 people, including many local favorites, will be seen in the Masonic Minstrel Revue which is to be presented at the Auditorium the evenings of October 17 and 18 under the auspices of the West Asheville Lodge No. 665, A. F. and A. M.

Committees in charge of the event will be headed by Arthur E. Dunn, general chairman; Hugh Sowers, tickets; W. E. Barker, publicity; W. S. McRary, advertising; H. B. Posey, finance; Tiny Crawford, talent; and A. C. McLeod, program.

Jamie W. McIver has been made director of the production and has requested that all who wish to participate in the revue get in touch with him before October 1. Rehearsals for the event will begin the first week of October. A special orchestra of 17 pieces will furnish the music and many local burnt cork artists and entertainers will appear on the program.

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NEGRO GOES ON TRIAL FOR LIFE

Armstead Williams Said To Have Burned Wife To Death

Armstead Williams, negro, 45, of 227 Buffalo Street, yesterday afternoon went on trial for his life in the Superior Court one the charge of burning to death his wife, Rosa Williams, at their home, during the early morning hours of Tuesday, August 27, in order that he might collect $800 in life insurance policies. Judge Cameron MacRae, of Asheville, is presiding.

The entire afternoon yesterday was consumed in the selection of a jury, the regular jury being exhausted and practically the entire special venire of 50 men before 12 men, satisfactory to both the State and defense, were chosen.

The introduction of evidence by the State is expected to get under way this morning. The state will present five witnesses and is expected to rest by 11 o'clock, when the defense will swing into action. The Solicitor is being aided by William Winter, recently appointed temporary special investigator by the Solicitor; and J. Scroop Styles, who is appearing for the private prosecution. Robert R. Reynolds and Major W. B. Stone, of the law firm of Stone and Freeman, represents Williams.

The courtroom was crowded throughout the afternoon, much interest being shown in the selection of the jury. A large number of men summoned for jury duty escaped service upon the jury when they stated they had conscientious objections to capital punishment. The State had previously anounced that it would ask for a verdict of murder in the first degree.

At the time of the woman's death, officers reported they received from her a death-bed declaration that her husband set fire to the bed on which she was sleeping in order to burn her to death to collect life insurance. Williams denied he set fire to the bed, declaring that she probably did it herself with a candle. He said he was awakened by his wife's screams and rushed to her room, forcing the door. He further said he grabbed a bucket of water and threw it on the flames, later attaching a hose to extinguish the fire.

Asheville Citizen September 21, 1929

Mrs. Gaskins Organizing Women For Chest Drive

Will Meet With Majors Friday At Wachovia Bank Building

Mrs. Whit C. Gaskins, well known Asheville woman, who has been appointed general of the women's division of the Community Chest campaign organization, started yesterday on the work of selecting majors who will assist her in getting together 125 active women workers for this division.

Between now and Friday she expects to name five majors who will meet with her Friday morning at 9 o'clock at the Wachovia Bank building for the purpose of taking up the selection of captains and lieutenants who will make up the main body of the section.

There will be a total of 125 women, representative of the entire city in this division, including the general, five majors, 20 captains and 100 lieutenants. The majors will select the captains and the captains in turn will select their lieutenants, each captain being assigned 5 lieutenants.

The residential territory of the city has been divided into districts by Wythe M. Peyton, engineer of the Community Chest organization, and a unit of the women's division will have charge of the solicitation in each district.

Mr. Gaskins, who was appointed general of the division by Chester Brown, organization chairman under Gilbert H. Morris, the general chairman, is one of Asheville's most popular women leaders. She is secretary-treasurer of the Nichols Realty company and has been active in civic affairs for many years. She resides in West Asheville where she is president of the West Asheville Community club, a civic organization of women in the western section of the city. She is an active member of the West Asheville Methodist church and teaches the Lambuth Bible class in that church. Mrs. Gaskins is also a director of the Y. W. C. A. and a member of the finance committee of that association which is one of the 12 social service agencies in the Community Chest. She is also a past president of the Asheville Parent-Teacher council.

Announcement was also made yesterday of the appointment of Fred L. Seely, prominent Asheville citizen, as chairman of the initial gifts committee of the Community Chest campaign organization. This committee is one of the most important units of the campaign group and both Chairman Brown and Chairman Morris feel highly gratified that they have been able to obtain the services of Mr. Seely for this post. Mr. Seely is one of the South's most successful business executives. He is one of the city's most active developers. He is the owner of the Biltmore Homespun Industries.

Asheville Citizen October 2, 1929

CARNIVAL MAN ARRESTED FOR CLARK KILLING

Allen Free Brought To Asheville After Being Taken In Spartanburg.

SHOW MANAGER JAILED

Examination Shows Victim's Skull Was Fractured By Blow.

After a search that took them from Rutherfordton to Spartanburg, S. C., Asheville officers early Friday morning arrested Allen Free, young carnival employe, wanted here in the murder of Everett Clark, 25-year-old West Asheville man. Lewis Neibiele, manager of the Krause shows, carnival with which Free was connected, was being held as an accessory in the killing.

The incident that cost Clark his life occurred Saturday night when Krause shows were playing in Asheville in Reed's bottom.

The carnival management had been having trouble with vandals and practical jokers at the grounds, police officers said Friday, and Neibiele had given Free instructions to "be rough" with anybody creating any kind of a disturbance around the tents.

Argument Occurs.

On the guard rounds, Free and Clark were said to have encountered. There was an argument and Free struck Clark across the head with a heavy tent stake. Clark was taken to Mission hospital for treatment but was discharged the next day as improved. Wednesday he was stricken ill and complained of pain in his head. He again was taken to the hospital and there it was found that the blow on the head he received had caused acute meningitis. His skull was found to have been fractured and he died a short time later.

Free, meanwhile, had been released under $200 bond when it was thought Clark's injuries were not serious. Officers immediately set up a hunt for him going to Rutherfordton where the carnival was playing. When he was not found there, officers continued their search, finally locating him in Spartanburg and bringing him back to Asheville Friday morning. Meanwhile, Neibiele had been arrested for giving orders

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World's Greatest Circus Again Comes To Town

After an absence of four years, Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey's Great circus comes to Asheville today for two performances, one at 2 o'clock and the other at 8 o'clock this evening. The gigantic array of tents will be set up at Craven and Spring streets. The layout above shows the crowds at the main gate; Theol Nelson, champion girl acrobat, primping a bit before entering the ring; one of the clowns telling a new one to the circus kiddies; and a quintet of real circus fans. The Ringling Brothers' circus has the largest collection of natural history spicimens of any organization on earth.

GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH OPENS AT ONE O'CLOCK

Entire Troupe Will Be Seen Here For First Time In 4 Years

CIRCUS DAY SCHEDULE

Show Grounds: Craven and Spring Street.

Performances: At 2 and 8 p. m. Doors to menagerie open at 1 and 7 p. m.

Tickets: On sale [illegible] p. m. at Liggett's Drug Co. 1 Biltmore Ave. Yellow ticket wagon continuously open for purchase of reserved seats at show grounds. Red and white ticket wagons start selling admission tickets only when doors open.

Dimensions: Main tent, 700x350 feet, seating 15,000 people. Five rings, six stages, spacious hippodrome oval, acres of aerial apparatus.

Features: Hugo Zacchini, "the human projectile." Goliath, the sea elephant, monster marine prodigy, first and only one ever captured and placed on exhibition. Yasso, the wonder elephant, and trainer. The Wallendas, German wire walkers, working at the top of the tent in an incredibly thrilling performance without a net. 800 men and women performers. 200 trained horses in the "Tourney of Jewels." A menagerie of hundreds of rare animals.

Side shows: Scores of human oddities and freaks combined in one side show, continuous from morning till night.

Arrival: Upon four special trains from Knoxville.

Departure: Following tonight's performance for Raleigh.

Special Note: There will be no street parade.

Flying the gonfalons of Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey, the world's Greatest circus, will spend today in Asheville, giving performances at 2 o'clock this afternoon and at 8 o'clock this evening.

Known throughout the world as "The Big Show," this massive aggregation of actors, and animals, gathered from the ends of the earth, and combining within itself a greater multiplicity of world wonders than any other organization on earth, Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey's combined shows will be here in its entirety.

The show will be essentially the same as presented in all of the large cities of the country. The thirty large tents required to house this mammoth affair will be pitched in the early dawn today, upon their arrival aboard four special trains, on the old circus grounds at Craven and Spring streets.

The doors will be open at 1 o'clock and 7 o'clock so as to allow all people plenty of time to view the greatest array of natural history types ever assembled since Noah called in all the animals of the earth and housed them in his ark.

There will be a herd of 40 elephants; two droves of camels, including some which saw service with Alleby in Palestine; thirty zebras, including specimens of the seldom seen Grevy zebra, a trio of towering giraffes; a saddle-bac ktapir; Emir the largest tiger in capticity; a huge and temperamental hippo; three ourang-outangs; a fine specimen of the bi-horned rhinoceros; the only African Gemsbox antelope in America; three [illegible] beautiful black panthers, a colony of simians, ranging from mere toddlers to venerable tribal leaders. There will be scores of more familiar animals.

Goliath, the monster four-ton sea elephant, unreservedly claimed to be the greatest zoological attraction since the days of Jumbo, will not be exhibited in the menagerie, but will be shown to the patrons at each performance when he makes a regal journey around the hippodrome oval in his own very personal chariot drawn by six Percheron horses. At intervals the conveyance will be stopped and the huge creature fed in full view of the audience. Weighing well over four tons, with a Roma proboscis and spiral whiskers, one view of Goliath instantly calls to mind the yarn anent the yokel who, upon seeing his first giraffe exclaimed: "There ain't no such animal!"

Human Projectile

The main tent seats 15,000 people and it is beneath this enormous spread of canvas that the arenic program is run off in five rings, and upon six stages, the track and in mid air. Some hundreds of champion performers take part in an almost three hour long program in which not a second goes to waste.

The sensational performance of Hugo Zacchini, "the humna projectile," is said to be the outstanding act of the program and is a real pulse-quickener. At each performance this doughty Italian is shot from the muzzle of a monster 22 foot siege canon to make a rocket-like journey clear across the tent to alight in a huge net over 100 feet away. There's a loud detonation—a flash of flame—and then almost before one can say "Jack Robinson," a human form is seen describing a graceful parabola high in the dome of the tent before alighting in the net.

Another act fraught with great personal hazard is contributed by the Wellendas troupe of four persons

CITY DELIVERY OF MAIL GROWS

Mounted City Delivery Service Will Begin In City Soon

Mounted city delivery will be stab- the Grove Park and Sunset mountain the Grove aPrk and Sunset mountain sections soon in the plan of mail delivery expansion, it was announced yesterday by Dan W. Hill, postmaster.

This means that the carrier will be provided with a vehicle and will deliver all classes of mail matter and wherever possible mail will be delivered directly to residences. At the present time the patrons residing in these sections are receiving their mail through rural mail boxes located in front of their residences.

With the addition of the mounted carrier service the Asheville office will have six mounted city delivery routes, serving Beaver Lake Biltmore Forest, Fairview Road Kenilworth West Asheville and the Grove Park sections. One mounted carrier will also be used in the collection of mail in the business sections of the city.

There are five trucks already engaged solely in the delivery of parcel post matter, three vehicles handling mail between the railway station and the postoffice and one transferring mail between the main office and the West Asheville station. This brings the total of the fleet of trucks used at the office to 15 transportation vehicles.

There are 44 city carriers delivering mail from the main office and its stations.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1929

CLEAN LIFE CLUB BOYS IN CONTEST

C. Cherry Reports He Has Read 19 Chapters Since Oct. 1

The Scripture contest of the Clean Life Club of the Y. M. C. A. which started October 1, reached new heights last night when one of the boys, Claud Cherry, announced that he had read 19 chapters of the Bible since the competition started.

This club is an organization of youths ranging from 10 to 13 years of age, most of them newsboys and all of them earning their own way in the world. Every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday evening at 7.30 o'clock they meet at the Y. M. C. A. under the directorship of Seth Perkinson, field secretary, for a period of good fellowship and a short workout in the pool and gymnasium.

Enjoy Contests

During the first part of their meeting they hold a religious service, sing songs, and enjoy contests. The special contest this month is in Scripture reading and at the end of the month the boy who has read the greatest number of chapters in the Bible and can tell the club about them in the best way will be given a prize. The standing so far is Claud Cherry, 19 chapters; Robert Lee Smith, 10 chapters; Clyde Smith, five chapters; Ralph Bishop, three; James Feare, two; and Ervin Clancy, one chapter.

Guy Arrowood, Asheville business man, made a short talk to the boys last night in which he gave them a Gospel message. Candy and bananas as refreshments were donated for the meeting by the wholesale firm of McConnell Bros.

As a Y. M. C. A. organization the Clean Life Club is a beneficiary of the Community Chest which opens its ninth annual campaign for funds October 14, the money from which will go to the support of 12 social service agencies. The Y. M. C. A. is one of these agencies and its activities cover a wide field among boys and young men in this section.

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OCTOBER 10, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB TO GATHER AT 7:00 TONIGHT

The first October meeting of the West Asheville Club will be held at Hall Fletcher junior high school tonight at 7 o'clock with President H. B. Fuser presiding. At 7 o'clock luncheon will be served by members of Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star, after which the program will begin.

Sherwood Brockwell, of Raleigh, State fire marshal, will be the principal speaker, and will talk on "Fire Prevention." Mr. Brockwell is spending the week here in the interests of the national "Fire Prevention Week" campaign. Music will be furnished by the Asheville fire department orchestra and Chief A. L. Duckett will have charge of the program by request. Mr. Duckett is vice-president and one of the most active members of the club. A brief business session will also be held.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1929

CLUB TO ELECT OFFICERS SOON

West Asheville Group Will Be Four Years Old In November

Plans for the annual election of officers of the West Asheville club will be given consideration soon, it was announced yesterday. The club, organized in 1925, will be four years old in November, and at that time the terms of the present officers will expire.

Officers are not chosen through the direct floor ballot plan in meeting, but the names of all nominees are handled by a board of directors. The first move is to elect in meeting a group of 15 members, who in turn will name five of their number to compose the board. After all names are ready for presentation, they will be voted upon in open meeting by secret ballot.

Officers

H. B. Posey is president of the club, and Bert Starnes, secretary. Mr Posey was elected in 1928 and has proven himself to be one of the most energetic and efficient civic club leaders in Asheville and Western North Carolina. Except for a period of several months after the organization of the club, Mr. Starnes is now serving his fourth consecutive term as secretary. The board of directors is composed of Dr. H. O. Brookshire, Dr. G. A. Shieder, Hugh Sowers, C. B. Anderson, and Howard P Clayton. A. L. Dickett, chief of the Asheville fire department, is vice-president, and C. B. Anderson chairman of the program committee Dr. Brookshire is chairman of the public improvements committee.

Since the first meeting, the club has experienced a good growth and has been one of the most active civic organizations in this section of the State. All meetings are well attended and on numerous occasions, noted officials and personages of county and state have commended the officers and members upon their interest in affairs of public benefit.

Honorary members include Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Gilbert H. Morris, C. H. Bartlett, commissioner of public safety, the pastors of West Asheville churches, and several others.

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ACHIEVEMENTS OF CLUB ARE NAMED

West Asheville Civic Group Nears Close Of Fourth Year

Numerous movements, many of which were of major importance, have been promoted to success by the West Asheville Club since its organization in November, 1925, according to a report made [illegible] meetings on schedule before the completion of its fourth year, and the election of officers to serve during 1929-30, it was announced.

Since 1925 regular meetings have been held and the membership has shown a gratifying and substantial increase. Honorary members include Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Gilbert H. Morris, C. H. Bartlett, pastors of West Asheville churches, and others. Officers are: H. B. Posey, president; A. L. Duckett, chief of the Asheville fire department, vice-president; and Bert Starnes, secretary.

Movements in which the club took an active and effective part include city extension; securing the Enka plant; the establishment of three West Asheville information bureaus; a gas system for West Asheville; completion of a sidewalk; securing the approval of city officials of plans to establish a building line on Haywood Road with a 75-foot street from the French Broad river city limits at the railroad crossing, and other civic benefits.

The officers and members were also active in the promotion of the Rhododendron Festival, and in sending underprivileged boys for a vacation at the Asheville Y. M. C. A. camp.

The club has the honor of being the first civic group in the city to entertain officials of the American Enka Corporation, and in turn the officers and members were guests at a breakfast given at the Enka plant.

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EWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE

Citizen Bureau, 729½ Haywood Road
Telephone 1602

West Asheville Citizen Bureau Is Moved To 643

Beginning Monday morning, the West Asheville Bureau of The Asheville Citizen, which was opened at 729 1-2 Haywood road last February, will be located at 643 Haywood road in the Martin building.

The old telephone number, 1602, will be retained, and the office will be open from 9 o'clock in the morning until 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon on all days except Sunday, when the office will be closed. During these hours a representative of The Citizen will be at the office to handle news and to serve the interests of West Asheville people in every way possible.

The purpose of The Citizen in maintaining a West Asheville office is to furnish its readers with a live daily news section, and to offer the best service possible to the citizens who compose the western section of Greater Asheville. At all times, the cooperation of civic organizations and citizens will be appreciated.

The Citizen is a member of the West Asheville Merchants association and the first and only daily newspaper to offer the service and convenience of a Community Office to West Asheville.

Visitors are cordially invited to call at the office at any time. Persons wishing to report news items or communicate in any other way with the Bureau are requested to call 1602 from 9 until 5:30 o'clock during the day. At night, please call the main office, number 6600.

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TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 22, 1929

Assessed Valuation Of City Over $113,000,000

Assessed valuation of property in Asheville increased $17,866,816 by the extension of the city limits, it was revealed yesterday when J. E. Gibson, city secretary-treasurer, filed a report with the city commissioners showing the new 1929-1930 tax list.

Asheville property was valued last year at $96,016,823, according to the tax records. With the acquisition of the new territory, the valuation mounted to $113,883,639. The city will realize $1,822,131.60 in taxes this year from the nine wards.

The added territory gives the city three additional wards. Ward No. 7, comprising Biltmore, South Biltmore, and portions of Biltmore Forest; Ward No. 8, Kenilworth and sections of Haw Creek and Chunn's Cove; and Ward No. 9, all of North Asheville.

The figures given on the report do not include the corporation excess taxes which will probably total $4,000,000. These figures are computed at Raleigh. Poll taxes will give the city $9,213, the report states.

Valuation of the wards follows:

No. 1	$ 8,646,684
No. 2	21,304,572
No. 3	23,572,946
No. 4	25,258,548
No. 5	9,701,722
No. 6	6,227,448
No. 7	4,439,456
No. 8	4,082,590
No. 9	10,750,675
Total	$113,883,639

Asheville Citizen October 22, 1929

Eight Eliada Entrants Win State Fair Awards

West Asheville Farm Sent Only County Stock To Raleigh

Eight members of the pure bred Guernsey dairy herd of the Eliada Orphanage, near West Asheville, were back in the farm pastures yesterday after a trip to the North Carolina State Fair at Raleigh where they won eight ribbons and other awards in competition with the best dairy herds of the State. J. P. McRary, chief herdsman, was in charge of the entrants on the trip, and was met in Raleigh by the Rev. L. B. Compton, director of the farms and orphanage, who came from New York City where he has been on business.

"Holderness Of Fermaine"

"Holderness of Fermaine" prize imported member of the herd, was judged second to the grand champion of the State, and was awarded a cash prize with ribbon, while "Topsy's Sequel," Eliada sire, won second place in competition with a large array of the best blooded sires in North Carolina, also winning a cash prize with his ribbon.

"Mosque's Lilly" won second prize in the two-year-old class, and "Laddy from Eliada Farm" was judged second best in the one-year-old calf class. A small calf of pure bred type also brought the fourth prize in this class back to the farm, and two calves won second prize in the class allocated to animals of blood relation show from the same farm.

Two First Prizes

"Myra's Topsy" was awarded first prize in the senior yearling class for entrants over three and less than four years of age, and "Jim Boy" of Eliada Farms" also won first place in the junior calf class. Prizes have been awarded by the State Fair officials.

The Eliada herd is classed among the best in the State and the entrants were the only ones from Buncombe county at the Fair. "Holderness of Fermaine" was awarded first place in the judging contest conducted at the farms several weeks ago by the North and South Carolina Guernsey Breeders' associations.

Mr. McRary stated yesterday that in his opinion, the fair just closed was the most successful and best ever held in the State.

Asheville Citizen October 23, 1929

CHAPTER, LODGE TO STAGE PARTY

Halloween Festival Is Planned For Monday Evening In W. A.

Officers and members of Asheville Chapter No. 191, Order of the Eastern Star, and the West Asheville Masonic Lodge, 665, A. F. and A. M., will entertain at a Halloween party tomorrow evening at the lodge halls at 11 Hanover Street, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The occasion will be one of the [illegible] by the two fraternal groups this year, and a large attendance of members and guests is being arranged for. Families of the members with friends will attend, and games with a program of songs and readings will compose a part of the entertainment, after which refreshments will be served. Decorations of corn shocks, pumpkins, autumn leaves and flowers will be used with lanterns to lend a realistic Halloween background.

Committees in charge are: decorations, Mrs. Glenn Henderson, chairman, Mrs. Myrtle Munsey, Mrs. Ruby Barrett, Mrs. Alma Dutton, Mrs. Verna Clark, and Mrs. John Onney; games and entertainment, Mrs. L. Franklin, chairman; Mrs. Margaret Young and Mrs. Edith Small; refreshments, Mrs. Edith McRary, chairman; Miss Annie Van Valkenburg, Mrs. Gertrude Sowers, and Mrs. Kate Hollingsworth.

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CITIZENS FAVOR QUIET HALLOWEEN

1928 Property Damage In West Asheville Is Remembered

Recalling what was described as being "an unreasonable and costly damage of property" in West Asheville and other parts of the city last year, for which Halloween celebrators are said to have been responsible, several citizens yesterday afternoon and last night requested The Citizen to call attention of the public to their request that 1929 celebrators exercise more care without subtracting anything from the merriment and fun of the joyful occasion.

Damage to vacant houses, property enclosures, shrubbery other property last year is said to have amounted to several dollars, and in view of this contention, interested citizens expressed the hope that tonight the celebration will be confined to parties, dances and other amusement, instead of any time being given to secret damage to property.

Asheville Citizen October 31, 1929

BARKER'S STORE IS DOLLS' HOME

West Asheville Girls Are Invited To Attend The Plaza Party

For convenience and to take care of a rapidly increasing membership in the new Doll Society, The Asheville Citizen yesterday opened a new doll headquarters for West Asheville girls, at Barker's Department Store, 162 Haywood road, like the headquarters at the Susquehanna Furniture company, 15 Broadway, the Middlemount Gardens, 38 Haywood street, Miss Cruise's Beauty Shop at 23 Haywood street, and Mooneyham's Drug Store at Woodfin. Barker's was a busy place yesterday, especially after school hours, even if the weather man did deliver a showery day.

With all the other little girls in Western North Carolina and Asheville, the girls living in West Asheville have been extended a cordial invitation to attend The Citizen's big doll party to be held in the Plaza theater on Pack Square Saturday morning, beginning at 10 o'clock. The party will last a whole hour and everything will be free, including a special picture in which Harold Lloyd, the funny man of the movies, will entertain the guests, and ice cream will be served.

Asheville Citizen November 1, 1929

COMMUNITY CLUB GROUP TO MEET

West Asheville Civic Organization Plans Business Program

An important business program has been planned for the November meeting of the West Asheville Community Club to be held at the home of Mrs Jacob S Handte, 48 Blue Ridge avenue, Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, officers announced yesterday.

Mrs C Whit Gaskins, president, will preside, and associate hostesses with Mrs Handte will be Mrs Hugh Sowers Mrs O V Himes, Mrs L E Barnes and Mrs L F Barrett. New members of the club will be in the receiving line, and the 1929-30 year books will be distributed. This will be one of the most important meetings of the year officers said yesterday, and a large attendance is expected.

Asheville Citizen November 3, 1929

1929 ELECTRICAL MEET SCHEDULED

West Asheville Civic Club To Name Board And Officers

The annual electoral session of the West Asheville Club will be held at Hall Fletcher junior high school next Thursday night in connection with the first November meeting it was announced yesterday. Following the luncheon at 7 o'clock, the club will go into business session and vote upon a list of fifteen nominees selected recently by a committee appointed at the last meeting.

The present officers are President H. B. Posey; Vice-president A. L. Duckett, and Secretary Bert Starnes. The 1928-29 board of directors is composed of Dr. H. G. Brookshire, Dr. G. A. Shieder, Hugh Sowers, Howard P. Clayton and C. B. Anderson. From the following list a new board of directors and all officers for the ensuing year will be elected by ballot:

J. W. Easton, D. W. Smith, E. H. Buckner, W. M. Hamrick, Dr. George P. Baier, Jr., W. E. Barker, A. L. Duckett, C. F. Byerly, H. B. Posey, F. J. Austin, Bert Starnes, Howard P. Clayton, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, C. B. Anderson and Hugh Sowers.

November will be the fourth anniversary of the club's organization, and in connection with this event a special program will probably be given.

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Daring Plane 'Theft' Charged To Asheville Pilot

WARRANT IS ISSUED FOR DR. OWENS AT RALEIGH

Sheriff Seeks Local Man And Two Others For Larceny

TRIO RISKS DEATH LEAVING AIRPORT

Claim Craft Attached; Indictments Will Be Sought In Case

RALEIGH, Nov. 2. (AP)

Three airmen who dared death in taking off with a cold motor from a dark field early this morning in a plane technically stolen from the Sheriff of Wake County, tonight were the objects of search by county authorities who held warrants against them charging larceny of property under attachment. It was said at the courthouse that indictments would be sent to the grand jury Monday charging them with assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon, and that they would be held in contempt of court if they were returned.

The three men, who staged the first airplane "robbery" in the history of flying here, were named in the warrants as:

Dr. J. E. Owens, Asheville, assistant chief pilot of the Eastern Air Express' J. R. Waren, Patterson, N. J., expert employed by the Wright Aero Corporation, and Echford Hodgson, mechanic of the Air Express Line.

Dr. J. E. Owens, who practiced dentistry in Asheville for some time and is very popular here as an aviator, is well known all over the south for his expert handling of airplanes. He owned an Eaglerock plane and kept it here on the Fletcher landing field for some time and was one of the first instructors of aviation in this section of the country, some time before Asheville considered seriously the construction of an airport.

After becoming proficient in both straight and stunt flying and having [illegible] more than a local reputation as a pilot, Dr. Owens left Asheville and "barnstormed" about the country with various air circus aggregations. He was with the Mabel Cody Flying Circus for some time, taking part in the air carnival here a year ago at the Fletcher field, now the Asheville-Hendersonville airport.

Dr. Owens has many friends in this vicinity who believe that there must be some mistake in the dispatch received relative to the story of today. Dr. Owens was a conspicuous participant in the air derby at Miami, Fla., last spring and was one of the winners in the stunt events.

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THE WEATHER
NORTH CAROLINA: Probably rain and colder Monday, Tuesday fair.

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'DOC' OWENS JAILED IN NEW YORK FOR PLANE THEFT

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GUN USED TO GET SHIP IN RALEIGH FOR HOP, CHARGE

Three Are Held For Wake County As Fugitives

SHERIFF ON WAY WITH WARRANTS

Owen Says Found Note But Could Get No Explanation

(Special To The Citizen)

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The City of Savannah, a Bellanca monoplane of the Eastern Air Express, which Sheriff N. F. Turner, of Raleigh, N. C., declared was taken from the Raleigh airport by force and at the point of a gun on Saturday, was landed at Holmes Airport, near Jackson Heights, Queens, at six o'clock today. About noon Detective Edmund Bow-

GO TO GET TRIO

RALEIGH, Nov. 3. (AP)—Sheriff Numa F. Turner and Deputy Sheriff Oliver Smith left Raleigh tonight for New York armed with requisition papers calling for the return to Raleigh of Dr. J. E. Owens, assistant chief pilot of the Eastern Air Express and two others to face charges of larceny of an airplane and assault with a deadly weapon.

ers, of the Astoria precinct police station, walked into the Holmes airport operations office and arrested three men on the telegraphed instructions of the Raleigh sheriff and they were locked up in the Queens County jail tonight charged with being fugitives from justice in North Carolina.

The three men, who accompanied Detective Bowers without protest, are Dr. J. E. Owens, pilot of the City of Savannah; Eckford Hodgson, co-pilot and mechanic, and John Warren, of 43 Walnut Street, Belleville, N. J., who was a passenger on the plane.

The telegraphed instructions on which the three men were arrested alleged that the sheriff charged them with grand larceny, assault with deadly weapons and resisting an officer.

Dr. Owen's Story

Owens said that he knew nothing about the charges, that he had merely flown the plane north in accordance with instructions from the air express company which has its terminal and headquarters at Holmes Airport.

He said that he started the trip north from Camden, S. C., on Friday, that he put the plane up at the Raleigh airport for the night on Friday and that the following morning when he arrived at the airport to resume the flight he found a note on yellow paper stuck in the plane. The note, which bore a two-cent stamp, said "Do not touch, by order of the sheriff's office." He said he asked an airport attendant about the note and not being able to get any satisfactory explanation, took off the note and flew away.

A representative of the Air Express company at Holmes Airport today said that they had been waiting for more than a week for the start of repossession proceedings on the plane by the U. S. Acceptance Corporation. He said that his company knew nothing of the sheriff's actions and that at the end of the week it was decided to move the City of Savannah north.

Although Warren was only a passenger, he was arrested, the police said, because the sheriff alleged he became an accessory when he helped start the plane. The three men, who will be arraigned this morning, insisted that they would fight extradition.

DARING TAKEOFF

(Special To The Citizen)

RALEIGH, Nov. 3. (AP)—Three men, a monoplane and a gun figured in one of the strangest narratives ever originating from a flying field, as told by Elton Lee, night watchman at the Raleigh airport.

Lee said three men came to the hangar about 2 o'clock Saturday morning and engaged him in conversation. He said they looked over the plane, "City of Savannah," and loitered about for about an hour. Suddenly, he said, one of the men drew a gun and poked it in his ribs, commanding him to keep quiet. The men rigged up a makeshift spark-plug to replace one removed from the engine's motor, started the motor and taxied out on the field, taking off immediately in the face of possible disaster from darkness and a "cold" motor.

The men in the story are Dr. J. E. Owen, former Asheville dentist and now assistant chief pilot of the Eastern Air Express, J. R. Warren, of Paterson, N. J., expert employed by the Wright Aeronautical corporation, and Echford Hodgson, Eastern Air Express mechanic. All were under arrest in New York tonight as fugitives from Justice in North Carolina.

The story has to do with the alleged "theft" Saturday of a monoplane, "City of Savannah," owned by the Eastern Air Express and under attachment by the United States Acceptance Corporation, which claimed a balance due on the purchase. The Eastern Air Express operated two other planes, "City of Raleigh" and "City of Columbia," which also were under attachment.

The "City of Savannah" was flown here Friday from Camden, S. C., by Dr. Owens. It was closely followed by "The City of Raleigh," in charge of David Betchel, of Philadelphia, representative of the United States Acceptance Corporation, who claimed a balance due on the three Bellanca monoplanes used by the Eastern Air Express in launching the line.

According to Mr. Betchel, the planes had been ordered grounded in Camden and had been there three days when Owens gave him the slip Friday and took off in "The City of Savannah." He said he immediately followed him in "The City of Raleigh" landing at Curtiss Field airport here a few minutes after the first ship.

The ships were hangared at the airport and the two factions went to a local hotel. The credit representative claimed that there were papers for the seizure of the planes, two of which were bought on terms and another paid for. He explained he was after the paid-for plane too, in order to balance depreciation of the other two.

Dr. Owens said that the air line was willing to pay for the ships but that they had been represented as new when bought whereas actually they had been flown for a good many hours.

Mr. Bechtel retained Clyde A. Douglass, local attorney and late Friday night took out attachment papers on both planes, Sheriff Turner putting them on the ships and deputizing Elton Lee, night watchman at the field to guard them.

About 2 o'clock in the morning, Lee said, three men appeared and engaged him in conversation. They looked over the plane, loitering for nearly an hour, the watchman said. Then one of their number put a gun in his ribs and told him to keep quiet.

Lee kept quiet.

The men took over the plane, from which a spark plug had been removed by the sheriff's men, and lacking another plug of the right size, rigged a makeshift plug for the hole. They taxied onto the field and roared off into the night.

Saturday morning the warrants were issued for the three men when it was ascertained at the hotel that they were missing, and Mr. Bechtel and his attorney appeared at the court house and the attachment proceedings on the "City of Raleigh" vacated so that it might be moved North.

Shortly afterward it took the air under the control of a credit corporation pilot.

It is reported that indictments charging the three airmen with assault with a deadly weapon, carrying a concealed weapon and contempt of court would be handed the Wake county grand jury when it convenes tomorrow. Wake county officers already hold warrants charging the men with larceny of property under attachment.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE 1919 AUTO AERIAL TRIP IS RECALLED

Exactly ten years ago yesterday, according to the files of The Citizen the carelessness of a West Asheville automobile owner gave Asheville one of its first aerial stunts, and the one and only instance where an automobile has been known to stage a real take-off from the ground.

According to the story, the owner left the machine a large five-passenger affair, parked in his home yard and went inside the house. Evidently discontented, the 1919 gasoline buggy went on a rampage and ended up on the roof of a four-room cottage in Tremont Park. After several men had worked for almost three hours, the "aerial auto" was persuaded to park on terra firma again through the use of a derrick.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1929

RAY CHILD DIES AFTER EXPLOSION

Flames Injure Mother In W. Asheville Home Tragedy

Funeral service for Cecil Rogers Ray, age thirteen months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Glenn Ray, of 8 Moody Avenue, West Asheville, who was fatally burned in an explosion at the home Wednesday afternoon, was held at the Iola Baptist Church, near Franklin, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Solsbee, of Franklin, officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

According to the mother, who is confined to her bed, suffering from severe burns, the little boy was playing with a can of paint in the living room when he suddenly tossed it into the fireplace. The roaring flames enveloped the container and the explosion was almost instantaneous, the burning liquid striking both the child and his mother. The child died at Aston Park hospital two hours later, while the mother is expected to recover. The father was working near the house when the explosion occurred, Mrs. Ray said.

Surviving are the parents and one small brother, Robert Glenn Ray, Jr.; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Ray, father and mother of Mr. Ray, and Mrs. Lucy Jacobs, mother of Mrs. Ray.

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OCTOBER 31, 1929

BUILDING LINES ON TWO STREETS ARE AUTHORIZED

Measures On Haywood And Asheland Adopted By City Heads.

Ordinances establishing building lines on Haywood road and Asheland avenue to pave the way for eventual widening of these thorofares were adopted by the city commissioners Thursday morning.

Building lines for both streets were recommended to the city commissioners by the planning board. The ordinances were introduced at

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emergency measures by Commissioner L. B. Rogers, of the public works department, and will become effective immediately upon publication.

The Haywood road ordinance establishes a building line on both sides of the street to allow 75 feet between property fronts. It extends on the north side of Haywood road from Argyle Lane to Mildred avenue and on the south side from Sand Hill road to Richmond avenue. The distance of the building was established back of property lines on both sides of the street varies from 10 to 25 feet in order that the 75-foot provision between property fronts might be maintained uniformly.

On Asheland avenue a building line was established ten feet east of the east property line and ten feet west of the west property line

WEST ASHEVILLE PIGEONS FINISH FIRST IN RACES

Eleven pigeons owned by John Mimidis, of West Asheville, finished first in the second race of the Asheville Pigeon club held Sunday, it was announced yesterday. The birds flew over a 50-mile course from Morganton to Asheville, all of those entered by Mr. Mimidis arriving first at their houses in West Asheville.

Other winners were J. H. Horne, second place, and R. S. Meroney, third place. The birds belonging to Mr. Mimidis won the Asheville-Marion race several week ago. A. E. Mutton, of Asheville, has offered a silver cup for the winning entry in a 100-mile race to be held here soon. It was announced yesterday.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB TO CHOOSE 1930 OFFICERS

Rev. Creson To Make Chief Address At Meeting Thursday.

Election of officers for the ensuing year and an address by the Rev. W. P. Creson, pastor of West Asheville Presbyterian church, will feature the meeting of West Asheville club at Hall Fletcher junior high school Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. This will be the first time the Rev. Mr. Creson has made an address before the club, of which he has been made an honorary member.

A president, vice-president and secretary and a board of five directors be chosen from a group of about 15 prominent West Asheville men. The list includes:

S. W. Eason, D. W. Smith, E. W. Buckner, W. M. Hamrick, Dr. George A. Baier, Jr., W. E. Barker, A. L. Duckett, C. F. Byerly, H. B. Posey, F. J. Austin, Bert Starnes, Howard P. Clayton, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, C. B. Anderson, Hugh Bowers.

C. B. Anderson, Howard P. Clayton, Hugh Bowers, Dr. J. G. Anderson and Dr. G. A. Shieder composed the board of directors for the past year while present officers are, H. B. Posey, president; A. L. Duckett, vice-president; and Bert Starnes, secretary. E. H. Buckner and C. B. Anderson are in charge of Thursday evening's program. Music will be furnished by Miss Ruth Kaylor, soloist and Mrs. Claudia Smathers, pianist.

Bruce Emory Research

WEST ASHEVILLE MAY BE SITE OF BAPTIST CHURCH

French Broad Congregation Divided On Plans For Future.

TO HOLD MASS MEETING

Dowell Expected To Go With Group Intent On New Building.

Half of the 300-odd members of the French Broad Avenue Baptist church will meet at the Vance school at 8 o'clock Friday night to organize a new church which they plan to build in West Asheville.

The meeting Friday night will be presided over by the Rev. F. M. Dowell, pastor of the French Broad Avenue church, who, it was understood, will go from his old church to serve with the new one. Pending the outcome of the mass meeting, those who have remained with the old church have made no plans for calling another preacher.

Are Taking Lead

Leaders in the plan to organize the new church from among members of the French Broad Avenue Baptist church were said to be Clyde T. Morgan, Sunday School superintendent; Landon Riddle, chairman of the board of deacons; J. W. Jacokes, secretary of the board of deacons and superintendent of the junior department of the Sunday School; L. Roy Young, director of music, H. B. Stroup; C. S. Raynesford; Miss Thelma Killian, pianist, and others.

Among those leaving French Broad Avenue Baptist church were reported to be virtually all departmental superintendent and four-fifths of the Sunday School teachers.

A disagreement over where the French Broad Avenue church members should worship was reported to be responsible for the gift. A portion of the membership desired that a new church should be located in West Asheville since many members live there and another portion wished to remain in the old church on South French Broad avenue.

As a result of this disagreement, it was reported the mass meeting was called and plans to organize the new church have been laid.

To Meet At School

Temporarily, it was announced, the members of the new church will worship in the Vance school each Sunday. Later it is planned to erect a tabernacle and still later a new church building, possibly at Sulphur Springs road and Haywood road.

The organizers of the new church will begin to worship at the Vance school the second Sunday in December, they announced Friday.

The new church organizer Friday extended an invitation to all persons living in the French Broad section or in other sections who are interested in the new church movement to attend the mass meeting at the Vance school Friday night.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1929

Hall Fletcher Pupils Dramatize 'Faith In Asheville' Reasons

Each Member Of Cast Labeled With Sign Naming Reason Represented.

The Hall Fletcher Junior High school staged a "Have Faith in Asheville" program at the chapel hour Tuesday morning that undoubtedly would make the civic clubs of the city sit up and take special notice. The civic clubs are competing with each other to see which can put on the best "Have Faith in Asheville" program and the clubs will have to extend themselves to put on a finer program than was presented at the Hall Fletcher school Tuesday morning.

The program was a dramatized presentation of the reasons why Asheville should have faith in Asheville. Each special reason was represented by a boy or girl, who spoke on that particular subject. Each member of the cast was duly labelled with a huge sign naming the reason he represented and in addition several wore appropriate costumes.

Turn Visitor Into Citizen.

The presentation was conceived by and staged by Miss Emily Wright, teacher of the class in social problems, assisted by Miss Rosalie Conn, of the creative English class. The students in the program were from these two classes.

The program opened with a newsboy yelling "Extra" and a visitor in an Asheville hotel sending a bellboy out to get one to satisfy his curiosity in the matter. The visitor found the "Extra" to be The Asheville Times heralding the "Have Faith in Asheville" campaign. The visitor became intensely interested in Asheville and read the newspaper thoroughly to find out all he could about it.

As the visitor sat in his hotel chair smoking and reading about Asheville, a pageant of the progress and advantages of Asheville was

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'FAITH' REASONS DRAMATIZED BY HALL FLETCHER

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presented on the other side of the stage. After the pageant the visitor arose from his seat, put down his paper and declared that he was satisfied about Asheville. He said he was convinced of the splendid opportunities and attractions in Asheville and announced his determination to make this community his home.

Dramatize Newspaper

The part of the visitor was admirably taken by Eugene Mitchell, who is president of the Hall Fletcher student body. The bellboy was Victor Murdock and the newsboy Carlton Lanning.

The ingenius idea of the pageant was the presentation of the many advantages of Asheville through the medium of the various pages of The Times. The pageant characters entered the stage through the door of a structure covered with newspapers and labelled "The Asheville Times."

The first character was Dennis Monroe representing the "Front Page." Her speech informed the audience that "within the contents of this paper you will find many good reasons why we, the people of Asheville, believe in our city."

Then the various other pages and departments of The Times were splendidly represented and happily dramatized.

Attractions Illustrated

Following the "Front Page" the "Business Page" appeared. L. M. McEwen led off representing the headlines. Dorothy Snyder followed representing the Biltmore Homespun Industries. Sara Harrett, clad in a blanket, next appeared representing the Beacon Blanket Mills. Next came Margaret Johnson, attired in white sheeting, representing the Sayles-Biltmore Bleachery. Then came Carl Blokzyl, stepson of A. J. L. Morita, chief engineer of the American Enka plant here, representing the Enka plant.

Brooks Ray represented roads and highways. Grace Everett represented the school page. The farmers' page was represented by James Swaney, who in addition to his speech exhibited a bottle of milk, an apple and a potato to illustrate his part.

The sports pages were presented by several characters representing various kinds of sports. Golf was represented by Walter Bell; hiking by Edna Mesmer and Billy Meyers; baseball by Frank Kiser and football by Carter Hawkins.

Editorial Page is Climax

Christine Wallace, beautifully dressed in white robes and carrying a lighted candle, climaxed and summarized the pageant representing the editorial page. Her light represented the light of truth and knowledge.

Others who helped with the program were Ed Black, Carl Somers and Elmer Mattern.

George A. Hartwick, principal of Hall Fletcher Junior High School, said in introducing the unusual program that the Hall Fletcher students had entered into the "Have Faith in Asheville" campaign with keen enthusiasm. The Hall Fletcher students are also participating in the various essay contests being conducted by the schools in connection with the campaign.

The chapel program Tuesday morning was easily the most original enterprise and most inspiring feature to be developed thus far in the "Have Faith in Asheville" campaign.

Bruce Emory Research

Home Of Negro Burns; Damage Is Near $1,500

Fire, catching from an overheated stove, Tuesday morning destroyed the home of Janie Gillam, negro, at 192 Fayetteville street, West Asheville, and threatened to spread through the entire section.

The four-room house was burned to the ground and the houses on either side of it were scorched by the flames. The central, West Asheville, and Bartlett street departments answered the call and prevented the spread of the fire.

The destroyed house occupied by Janie Gillam was owned by Katherine Long. The damage was estimated at about $1,500.

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West Asheville Newspaper Articles

Articles for July to Dec. 1929

MINISTER TO END PASTORAL DUTIES

West Asheville Pastor Conducts Successful Work From Pulpit

The Rev. J. S. Milholland, supply pastor of the West Asheville Presbyterian church, will preach his final sermon on Sunday, July 28, it was announced yesterday. The announcement followed the reception of a wire from the Rev. W. F. Creason, of Crowley, La., advising the congregation of his acceptance of the pastorate of the church. The message came several days ago, and also stated that as a matter of formal attention, his final acceptance depended upon the approval of the Presbyterian board under which he is now working.

The Rev. Mr. Milholland, formerly of Pittsburg, has conducted a very successful and helpful work during his term as acting pastor, he and Mrs. Milholland having been especially active in working among the young people's organizations.

The Rev. Mr. Creason is expected to arrive in the city about August 11. He was called to the pastorate at a congregational meeting held several weeks ago, several Sundays after he had preached at the church while attending the Presbyterian conference at Monti-[illegible]t.

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CRESON TO BEGIN WORK AUGUST 18

West Asheville Church Calls Pastor From Louisiana City

The Rev. W. F. Creson, of Crowley, Louisiana, who recently accepted the pastorate of the West Asheville Presbyterian church, will preach his first sermon of the ensuing pastoral year at the church Sunday morning, August 18 at 11 o'clock members of the congregation announced yesterday.

Mrs. Creson and their three children will accompany the pastor here, and they will make their home in West Asheville. They are expected to arrive several days prior to the date when he will begin his work.

The Rev. Mr. Creson was called at a congregational meeting held shortly after he visited the church while attending the annual Presbyterian Conference at Montreat as a commissioner from the Louisiana Presbytery, embracing the southern part of that state. Notice of his acceptance was wired the church officials several days ago.

The new pastor is one of the best known ministers in the Southern Presbytery, and in addition to his church work, is very active in civic organizations and movements. He is now serving his second term as president of the Crowley Rotary Club, one of the largest civic groups in Crowley. He holds a Master's Degree from the Southwestern Presbyterian University, now located at Memphis, Tenn., and took the complete Theological course at the same institution, graduating with honors and a B. D., degree in the spring of 1908.

He was ordained to the ministry by the Louisiana Presbytery on October 8, 1908, and was engaged in Home Mission work until the spring of 1911. In June of that year he was called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Port Gibson, Miss., the location of one of the Presbyterian Synodical schools, Chamberlain-Hunt Academy, where he spent nine years. In April, 1920, he was called to the First Presbyterian church at Ocala, Florida, where he spent almost six years as pastor.

During his work at the Florida church, four Mission points were established and services held in many remote and somewhat isolated sections, while the Ocala church was strengthened in many ways, including the establishment of a building fund for a new church which was completed after the pastor had accepted a new charge.

In June, 1926, he accepted the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Crowley from which he resigned recently to accept the West Asheville charge. An indication of his successful work there during a period of three years is the erection of a new church costing approximately $18,000, which is one of the most beautiful edifices in the city.

The Rev. Mr. Creson has twice represented the Crowley Rotary Club at international conventions and has been very active in its organization and growth. He has expressed much gratification over the opportunity to become engaged in pastoral work here, and the congregation has underway plans for the reception of himself and his family.

Splendid Work

The Rev. J. S. Milholland, supply pastor, who has served the congregation in that capacity for the past several months, will preach the final sermon of his period of pastoral service today. He began serving the church shortly after the resignation of the Rev. P. N. Gresham, former pastor, which took place near the first of this year. Under his supervision a very successful work has been conducted, especially among the young people, and members of the congregation have expressed their appreciation of his interest and splendid service.

Accompanied by Mrs. Gresham, the Rev. Mr. Gresham, who is now pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Savannah, Ga., is expected to arrive in the city the latter part of this week. He will preach at the church next Sunday at both morning and evening services, and a large congregation is expected to attend the services then and today. Mr. and Mrs. Gresham are planning to spend all or a part of their vacation here.

A special honor service and reception for the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Milholland will be held at the church tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. An interesting program has been arranged with all departments taking part, including special music and brief talks by laymen and laywomen of the church, and a social hour.

Mayor Gallatin Roberts will be the principal speaker, and the Men of the Church organization of which R. W. Farr is president, will have charge.

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WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB VOTES TO BEAUTIFY ROAD

Will Plant Shrubbery On River Bank; Committee Is Named.

The West Asheville club, at its semi-monthly meeting Thursday night at the Hall Fletcher high school building, endorsed the proposal of the West Asheville Community club for beautifying a certain section of Haywood Road and voted to send a delegation to the civic meeting at Oct. 6 in honor of the Great Smoky Mountains National park.

Representatives of the community club advised the meeting that the city had agreed to aid them in planting roses on the side of the bank, extending from the river on the west side of Haywood Road about one-fourth mile to Brownwood. The purpose of the project is twofold, it was explained: first, to beautify the section, and secondly, to prevent the dirt bank from falling into the street. A committee, composed of Dr. George F. Baier, Don C. Young and J. E. Divelbliss, was appointed by the club.

The club was asked to send a large delegation to the meeting of civic clubs of Asheville, which will be held at the Battery Park hotel Oct. 6 in honor of the park officials.

The program also included several musical selections and an address by Dr. R. L. Moore, president of Mars Hill college.

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Local Boys Return From Long Journey

Four West Asheville Boys Make 8,000 Mile Tour In $15.00 Ford

After covering parts of twenty-three states part of Canada and Old Mexico, covering more than eight thousand miles in a semi - rejuvenated Ford car, Carrol Miller, Henry Shook, Dewey Gordon and Raymond Bell, accompanied by their German police dog "Tot" returned to Asheville last week and have been busy greeting and bein greeted by old friends and telling travelogues.

Leaving here shortly after the close of school this spring, the quartette first went to Detroit where they pooled their financial resources and purchased a fifteen dollar Ford. The license plate on the car represented an investment of $12.50 which made the mechanical and automotive equipment complete stand them in the sum of $2.50.

Regardless of the cost, however it seems that the car was equal to the test through which it was destined to go as the boys reported that they had little difficulty during the entire trip and that their "buggy" "cadillaced" over hill and through valley without a whimper.

Garnering a can of yellow paint, the four Fordmen covered the little car up in a coat of bright canary and decorated it with the names of their girl friends back home, punctuated here and there with witty quotations and departed from Detroit for points in Canada.

After visiting points of interest in Canada, the "Carolina Special," with its retinue returned to the United States and headed for Kansas where the boys spent some time working in the wheat harvest and then continued on West to the Pacific coast.

Over the old Santa Fe Trail, the Lincoln Highway and the Victory Highway, the "Uncovered Wagon" as the car was also effectively named carried the young men over the plains, deserts and the Rocky Mountains to to California.

From California the party motored over the "Old Southern Route" to Mexico where they visited Juarez and other points of interest, returned to Texas and back to Western North Carolina through Louisiana, Mississippi and other Southern states.

Each of the boys have many interesting tales to tell of their various adventures including catching prairie dogs and jack rabbits in Kansas and other Western states. One of them tells of a Western jack rabbit which they captured which measured forty inches from the tip of his ears to the end of his hind legs. He says these rabbits are "slightly larger" than the native rabbits of the Smoky Mountains.

On one occassion while the boys were working in the wheat fields in Kansas they say they spent one Sunday pouring 750 gallons of water in a prairie dog hole, but they say that they have not yet seen this particular animal since the time he made his dive into this hole.

One large desert hawk was captured alive which measured about thirty-six inches across wing tip to wing tip and the boys planned to bring the bird home with them as an additional mascot but, unfortunately, he died and they abandoned him above the clouds in the Rock Mountains.

Besides enjoying the grandeur of the Rockies, the party enjoyed a swim in the Great Salt Lake of Utah, crossed the Utah desert, saw the Royal Gonge, went through Monarch Pass, which is 11,260 ft. above sea level, viewed the sand hills of California and visited many historic spots in the West and on the Pacific coast.

Much attention was attracted along the route and the boys had the opportunity to some wonderful boosting for Western North Carolina and Asheville. They met a few motor parties from North Carolina and had the pleasure of answering many questions about the Land of the Sky. Everyone seemed greatly interested they say.

During the entire trip the party enjoyed good weather and was caught in a rain only once. They had no top on their car. After leaving California on the return trip they had no trouble whatever not even a puncture, they say.

Although they greatly enjoyed the experience and are of the unanimous opinion that its educational value was great, each of the boys expressed himself as being glad to be home again some of them will return to school here this fall while others plan to go away to school.

CRESON TO BEGIN PASTORAL DUTIES

Presbyterians To Hear New Pastor In West Asheville Today

The Rev. W. F. Creson of Crowley, La., who arrived in Asheville Friday with Mrs. Creson, will preach the first sermon of his new pastoral charge at the West Asheville Presbyterian church this morning at 11 o'clock. The new pastor will also fill the pulpit at the evening services.

The Rev. Mr. Creson with Mrs. Creson and their three children will make their home in Brucemont Circle, West Asheville, where the new parsonage is located.

The new pastor was called at a congregational meeting held at the church shortly after he visited West Asheville during the Southern Presbyterian Conference at Montreat this year. While here, the congregation invited him to preach at the church, and he did so. Later, after he was called, notice of his acceptance which has been granted by the Louisiana Presbytery, was wired the church officials.

Well Known

One of the best known ministers in the Southern Presbytery, the Rev. Mr. Creson has had a wide and varied field of pastoral work to cover during the past several years. He was ordained to the ministry by the Louisiana Presbytery on October 8, 1908, and was engaged in Home Mission work until the spring of 1911. In June of that year he was called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Port Gibson, Miss., where he spent nine years. In April, 1920, he was called to the First Presbyterian church at Ocala, Fla., where he spent almost six years as pastor.

In June, 1926, he became pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Crowley, resigning this post to accept the West Asheville church charge. The pastor is now serving his second term as president of the Crowley Rotary club, and has twice represented the club at international conventions. He holds a Master's Degree from the Southwestern Presbyterian University, now located at Memphis, Tenn., and took the complete Theological course at the same institution, graduating with honors and a B. D. degree in the spring of 1908.

Built New Church

An indication of his successful work at the Crowley church, is the erection of a new church which cost $18,000 and is one of the most beautiful structures in the city. While at the Florida church, he was instrumental in the establishment of a church fund which was used for a new building after he had completed his work there.

The Rev. P. N. Gresham, former pastor of the West Asheville church, resigned early this year to accept the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Savannah, Ga. Recently he and Mrs. Gresham returned to Savannah after spending their vacation here. The Rev. J. S. Millholland served as supply pastor for several months.

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CITY OFFICIALS TO ATTEND MEET

Engineer To Present Building Line Map Thursday Night

Mayor Gallatin Roberts and members of the city planning commission and the city board of commissioners will meet with members of the West Asheville Club and other interested citizens at Hall Fletcher high school tomorrow night for a conference on the establishment of a proposed building line for Haywood road.

Stanley H. Wright, city engineer, yesterday announced completion of a map and outline of the affected territory which extends from Michigan avenue to Vermont avenue along Haywood road, and allows a 100-foot right of way for the thoroughfare. Lots along the route have not been blocked in on the map, since the plan is yet tentative, it was said.

Members of the planning commission are B. Frank Gudger, chairman, Sam P. Burton and Asbury Burnette. Except Mayor Roberts, all city officials attended a meeting of the club several weeks ago when the matter was discussed, and the conference on schedule is expected to be final. After all plans have been completed, and property owners allowed to express their views, the plan will be formulated into an ordinance for routine attention.

President H. B. Posey will preside and the meeting will open with luncheon at 7 o'clock. Other than committee reports, the entire business session will be given to the conference.

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ROUTING CHANGED IN BUS ORDINANCE FOR W. ASHEVILLE

Other than the selection of a new route, no important changes have been made in the revised Asheville-West Asheville bus line ordinance which is scheduled for a third reading before the city commissioners this morning, it was announced yesterday.

The present route was outlined to begin at the West Asheville bridge and terminate on Sulphur Springs road, swinging eastward to follow Haywood road back to Asheville, and touching Madeline avenue, Haywood road, and Sulphur Springs road.

A delegation appointed by the West Asheville Club is working in the interests of the ordinance under Chairman Howard P. Clayton. Other members are J. O. Barrett, J. W. Easton and E. W. Buckner.

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WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB WILL MEET

Commissioners, Mayor Roberts, Wright To Attend Tonight

The semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville Club will be held at Hall Fletcher high school tonight at 7 o'clock, with Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Stanley H Wright, city engineer, and the city commissioners and city planning commission as guests

The greater part of the business session will be given to a discussion of the proposed building line for Haywood road, and Mr Wright will present for inspection a map and data outlining the right of way and limitations The map will be partly tentative and does not include lot locations along Haywood road, it was said yesterday Interested citizens and taxpayers will be heard by the officials and should the plan be adopted it will be put into effect by an ordinance as soon as possible

President H B Poole will preside and luncheon will be served at 7 o'clock A musical and reading program has been arranged by the committee headed by Chairman C B Anderson

Asheville Citizen September 12, 1929

CLUB TO LAUNCH NEW FISCAL YEAR

Young West Asheville Musicians To Meet Next Saturday

The first meeting of the Blanchard Junior Music Club of West Asheville will be held at the home of Mrs. Robert H. Spiro, 81 Westwood place, next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock when regular recitals and other activities will be resumed, and plans for the ensuing fiscal year outlined.

Mrs. Spiro will have charge of the program, and the president, Miss Mary Stowe, will preside. The musical recital will consist mostly of a [illegible] piano. Mrs. Verne Clarke of the West Asheville Community Club, councillor, will also attend. Mrs. Spiro will direct the study period.

Plans for the periodical Station WWNC musical broadcast programs have not yet been outlined, it was stated yesterday, and it has not been decided whether these programs, which were so popular last season, will be resumed or not. Regular meetings of the club were discontinued in May, but will be held through the fall, winter and spring months, beginning this month.

Asheville Citizen September 15, 1929

LODGE TO STAGE SHOW OCTOBER 17

West Asheville Masons Announce Plans For Large Revue

A cast of 75 people, including many local favorites, will be seen in the Masonic Minstrel Revue which is to be presented at the Auditorium the evenings of October 17 and 18 under the auspices of the West Asheville Lodge No. 665, A. F. and A. M.

Committees in charge of the event will be headed by Arthur E. Dunn, general chairman; Hugh Sowers, tickets; W. E. Barker, publicity; W. S. McRary, advertising; H. B. Posey, finance; Tiny Crawford, talent; and A. C. McLeod, program.

Jamie W. McIver has been made director of the production and has requested that all who wish to participate in the revue get in touch with him before October 1. Rehearsals for the event will begin the first week of October. A special orchestra of 17 pieces will furnish the music and many local burnt cork artists and entertainers will appear on the program.

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NEGRO GOES ON TRIAL FOR LIFE

Armstead Williams Said To Have Burned Wife To Death

Armstead Williams, negro, 45, of 227 Buffalo Street, yesterday afternoon went on trial for his life in the Superior Court one the charge of burning to death his wife, Rosa Williams, at their home, during the early morning hours of Tuesday, August 27, in order that he might collect $800 in life insurance policies. Judge Cameron MacRae, of Asheville, is presiding.

The entire afternoon yesterday was consumed in the selection of a jury, the regular jury being exhausted and practically the entire special venire of 50 men before 12 men, satisfactory to both the State and defense, were chosen.

The introduction of evidence by the State is expected to get under way this morning. The state will present five witnesses and is expected to rest by 11 o'clock, when the defense will swing into action. The Solicitor is being aided by William Winter, recently appointed temporary special investigator by the Solicitor; and J. Scroop Styles, who is appearing for the private prosecution. Robert R. Reynolds and Major W. B. Stone, of the law firm of Stone and Freeman, represents Williams.

The courtroom was crowded throughout the afternoon, much interest being shown in the selection of the jury. A large number of men summoned for jury duty escaped service upon the jury when they stated they had conscientious objections to capital punishment. The State had previously anounced that it would ask for a verdict of murder in the first degree.

At the time of the woman's death, officers reported they received from her a death-bed declaration that her husband set fire to the bed on which she was sleeping in order to burn her to death to collect life insurance. Williams denied he set fire to the bed, declaring that she probably did it herself with a candle. He said he was awakened by his wife's screams and rushed to her room, forcing the door. He further said he grabbed a bucket of water and threw it on the flames, later attaching a hose to extinguish the fire.

Asheville Citizen September 21, 1929

Mrs. Gaskins Organizing Women For Chest Drive

Will Meet With Majors Friday At Wachovia Bank Building

Mrs. Whit C. Gaskins, well known Asheville woman, who has been appointed general of the women's division of the Community Chest campaign organization, started yesterday on the work of selecting majors who will assist her in getting together 125 active women workers for this division.

Between now and Friday she expects to name five majors who will meet with her Friday morning at 9 o'clock at the Wachovia Bank building for the purpose of taking up the selection of captains and lieutenants who will make up the main body of the section.

There will be a total of 125 women, representative of the entire city in this division, including the general, five majors, 20 captains and 100 lieutenants. The majors will select the captains and the captains in turn will select their lieutenants, each captain being assigned 5 lieutenants.

The residential territory of the city has been divided into districts by Wythe M. Peyton, engineer of the Community Chest organization, and a unit of the women's division will have charge of the solicitation in each district.

Mr. Gaskins, who was appointed general of the division by Chester Brown, organization chairman under Gilbert H. Morris, the general chairman, is one of Asheville's most popular women leaders. She is secretary-treasurer of the Nichols Realty company and has been active in civic affairs for many years. She resides in West Asheville where she is president of the West Asheville Community club, a civic organization of women in the western section of the city. She is an active member of the West Asheville Methodist church and teaches the Lambuth Bible class in that church. Mrs. Gaskins is also a director of the Y. W. C. A. and a member of the finance committee of that association which is one of the 12 social service agencies in the Community Chest. She is also a past president of the Asheville Parent-Teacher council.

Announcement was also made yesterday of the appointment of Fred L. Seely, prominent Asheville citizen, as chairman of the initial gifts committee of the Community Chest campaign organization. This committee is one of the most important units of the campaign group and both Chairman Brown and Chairman Morris feel highly gratified that they have been able to obtain the services of Mr. Seely for this post. Mr. Seely is one of the South's most successful business executives. He is one of the city's most active developers. He is the owner of the Biltmore Homespun Industries.

Asheville Citizen October 2, 1929

CARNIVAL MAN ARRESTED FOR CLARK KILLING

Allen Free Brought To Asheville After Being Taken In Spartanburg.

SHOW MANAGER JAILED

Examination Shows Victim's Skull Was Fractured By Blow.

After a search that took them from Rutherfordton to Spartanburg, S. C., Asheville officers early Friday morning arrested Allen Free, young carnival employe, wanted here in the murder of Everett Clark, 25-year-old West Asheville man. Lewis Neibiele, manager of the Krause shows, carnival with which Free was connected, was being held as an accessory in the killing.

The incident that cost Clark his life occurred Saturday night when Krause shows were playing in Asheville in Reed's bottom.

The carnival management had been having trouble with vandals and practical jokers at the grounds, police officers said Friday, and Neibiele had given Free instructions to "be rough" with anybody creating any kind of a disturbance around the tents.

Argument Occurs.

On the guard rounds, Free and Clark were said to have encountered. There was an argument and Free struck Clark across the head with a heavy tent stake. Clark was taken to Mission hospital for treatment but was discharged the next day as improved. Wednesday he was stricken ill and complained of pain in his head. He again was taken to the hospital and there it was found that the blow on the head he received had caused acute meningitis. His skull was found to have been fractured and he died a short time later.

Free, meanwhile, had been released under $200 bond when it was thought Clark's injuries were not serious. Officers immediately set up a hunt for him going to Rutherfordton where the carnival was playing. When he was not found there, officers continued their search, finally locating him in Spartanburg and bringing him back to Asheville Friday morning. Meanwhile, Neibiele had been arrested for giving orders

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World's Greatest Circus Again Comes To Town

After an absence of four years, Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey's Great circus comes to Asheville today for two performances, one at 2 o'clock and the other at 8 o'clock this evening. The gigantic array of tents will be set up at Craven and Spring streets. The layout above shows the crowds at the main gate; Theol Nelson, champion girl acrobat, primping a bit before entering the ring; one of the clowns telling a new one to the circus kiddies; and a quintet of real circus fans. The Ringling Brothers' circus has the largest collection of natural history spicimens of any organization on earth.

GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH OPENS AT ONE O'CLOCK

Entire Troupe Will Be Seen Here For First Time In 4 Years

CIRCUS DAY SCHEDULE

Show Grounds: Craven and Spring Street.

Performances: At 2 and 8 p. m. Doors to menagerie open at 1 and 7 p. m.

Tickets: On sale [illegible] p. m. at Liggett's Drug Co. 1 Biltmore Ave. Yellow ticket wagon continuously open for purchase of reserved seats at show grounds. Red and white ticket wagons start selling admission tickets only when doors open.

Dimensions: Main tent, 700x350 feet, seating 15,000 people. Five rings, six stages, spacious hippodrome oval, acres of aerial apparatus.

Features: Hugo Zacchini, "the human projectile." Goliath, the sea elephant, monster marine prodigy, first and only one ever captured and placed on exhibition. Yasso, the wonder elephant, and trainer. The Wallendas, German wire walkers, working at the top of the tent in an incredibly thrilling performance without a net. 800 men and women performers. 200 trained horses in the "Tourney of Jewels." A menagerie of hundreds of rare animals.

Side shows: Scores of human oddities and freaks combined in one side show, continuous from morning till night.

Arrival: Upon four special trains from Knoxville.

Departure: Following tonight's performance for Raleigh.

Special Note: There will be no street parade.

Flying the gonfalons of Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey, the world's Greatest circus, will spend today in Asheville, giving performances at 2 o'clock this afternoon and at 8 o'clock this evening.

Known throughout the world as "The Big Show," this massive aggregation of actors, and animals, gathered from the ends of the earth, and combining within itself a greater multiplicity of world wonders than any other organization on earth, Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey's combined shows will be here in its entirety.

The show will be essentially the same as presented in all of the large cities of the country. The thirty large tents required to house this mammoth affair will be pitched in the early dawn today, upon their arrival aboard four special trains, on the old circus grounds at Craven and Spring streets.

The doors will be open at 1 o'clock and 7 o'clock so as to allow all people plenty of time to view the greatest array of natural history types ever assembled since Noah called in all the animals of the earth and housed them in his ark.

There will be a herd of 40 elephants; two droves of camels, including some which saw service with Alleby in Palestine; thirty zebras, including specimens of the seldom seen Grevy zebra, a trio of towering giraffes; a saddle-bac ktapir; Emir the largest tiger in capticity; a huge and temperamental hippo; three ourang-outangs; a fine specimen of the bi-horned rhinoceros; the only African Gemsbox antelope in America; three [illegible] beautiful black panthers, a colony of simians, ranging from mere toddlers to venerable tribal leaders. There will be scores of more familiar animals.

Goliath, the monster four-ton sea elephant, unreservedly claimed to be the greatest zoological attraction since the days of Jumbo, will not be exhibited in the menagerie, but will be shown to the patrons at each performance when he makes a regal journey around the hippodrome oval in his own very personal chariot drawn by six Percheron horses. At intervals the conveyance will be stopped and the huge creature fed in full view of the audience. Weighing well over four tons, with a Roma proboscis and spiral whiskers, one view of Goliath instantly calls to mind the yarn anent the yokel who, upon seeing his first giraffe exclaimed: "There ain't no such animal!"

Human Projectile

The main tent seats 15,000 people and it is beneath this enormous spread of canvas that the arenic program is run off in five rings, and upon six stages, the track and in mid air. Some hundreds of champion performers take part in an almost three hour long program in which not a second goes to waste.

The sensational performance of Hugo Zacchini, "the humna projectile," is said to be the outstanding act of the program and is a real pulse-quickener. At each performance this doughty Italian is shot from the muzzle of a monster 22 foot siege canon to make a rocket-like journey clear across the tent to alight in a huge net over 100 feet away. There's a loud detonation—a flash of flame—and then almost before one can say "Jack Robinson," a human form is seen describing a graceful parabola high in the dome of the tent before alighting in the net.

Another act fraught with great personal hazard is contributed by the Wellendas troupe of four persons

CITY DELIVERY OF MAIL GROWS

Mounted City Delivery Service Will Begin In City Soon

Mounted city delivery will be stab- the Grove Park and Sunset mountain the Grove aPrk and Sunset mountain sections soon in the plan of mail delivery expansion, it was announced yesterday by Dan W. Hill, postmaster.

This means that the carrier will be provided with a vehicle and will deliver all classes of mail matter and wherever possible mail will be delivered directly to residences. At the present time the patrons residing in these sections are receiving their mail through rural mail boxes located in front of their residences.

With the addition of the mounted carrier service the Asheville office will have six mounted city delivery routes, serving Beaver Lake Biltmore Forest, Fairview Road Kenilworth West Asheville and the Grove Park sections. One mounted carrier will also be used in the collection of mail in the business sections of the city.

There are five trucks already engaged solely in the delivery of parcel post matter, three vehicles handling mail between the railway station and the postoffice and one transferring mail between the main office and the West Asheville station. This brings the total of the fleet of trucks used at the office to 15 transportation vehicles.

There are 44 city carriers delivering mail from the main office and its stations.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1929

CLEAN LIFE CLUB BOYS IN CONTEST

C. Cherry Reports He Has Read 19 Chapters Since Oct. 1

The Scripture contest of the Clean Life Club of the Y. M. C. A. which started October 1, reached new heights last night when one of the boys, Claud Cherry, announced that he had read 19 chapters of the Bible since the competition started.

This club is an organization of youths ranging from 10 to 13 years of age, most of them newsboys and all of them earning their own way in the world. Every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday evening at 7.30 o'clock they meet at the Y. M. C. A. under the directorship of Seth Perkinson, field secretary, for a period of good fellowship and a short workout in the pool and gymnasium.

Enjoy Contests

During the first part of their meeting they hold a religious service, sing songs, and enjoy contests. The special contest this month is in Scripture reading and at the end of the month the boy who has read the greatest number of chapters in the Bible and can tell the club about them in the best way will be given a prize. The standing so far is Claud Cherry, 19 chapters; Robert Lee Smith, 10 chapters; Clyde Smith, five chapters; Ralph Bishop, three; James Feare, two; and Ervin Clancy, one chapter.

Guy Arrowood, Asheville business man, made a short talk to the boys last night in which he gave them a Gospel message. Candy and bananas as refreshments were donated for the meeting by the wholesale firm of McConnell Bros.

As a Y. M. C. A. organization the Clean Life Club is a beneficiary of the Community Chest which opens its ninth annual campaign for funds October 14, the money from which will go to the support of 12 social service agencies. The Y. M. C. A. is one of these agencies and its activities cover a wide field among boys and young men in this section.

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OCTOBER 10, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB TO GATHER AT 7:00 TONIGHT

The first October meeting of the West Asheville Club will be held at Hall Fletcher junior high school tonight at 7 o'clock with President H. B. Fuser presiding. At 7 o'clock luncheon will be served by members of Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star, after which the program will begin.

Sherwood Brockwell, of Raleigh, State fire marshal, will be the principal speaker, and will talk on "Fire Prevention." Mr. Brockwell is spending the week here in the interests of the national "Fire Prevention Week" campaign. Music will be furnished by the Asheville fire department orchestra and Chief A. L. Duckett will have charge of the program by request. Mr. Duckett is vice-president and one of the most active members of the club. A brief business session will also be held.

Asheville Citizen October 10, 1929

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1929

CLUB TO ELECT OFFICERS SOON

West Asheville Group Will Be Four Years Old In November

Plans for the annual election of officers of the West Asheville club will be given consideration soon, it was announced yesterday. The club, organized in 1925, will be four years old in November, and at that time the terms of the present officers will expire.

Officers are not chosen through the direct floor ballot plan in meeting, but the names of all nominees are handled by a board of directors. The first move is to elect in meeting a group of 15 members, who in turn will name five of their number to compose the board. After all names are ready for presentation, they will be voted upon in open meeting by secret ballot.

Officers

H. B. Posey is president of the club, and Bert Starnes, secretary. Mr Posey was elected in 1928 and has proven himself to be one of the most energetic and efficient civic club leaders in Asheville and Western North Carolina. Except for a period of several months after the organization of the club, Mr. Starnes is now serving his fourth consecutive term as secretary. The board of directors is composed of Dr. H. O. Brookshire, Dr. G. A. Shieder, Hugh Sowers, C. B. Anderson, and Howard P Clayton. A. L. Dickett, chief of the Asheville fire department, is vice-president, and C. B. Anderson chairman of the program committee Dr. Brookshire is chairman of the public improvements committee.

Since the first meeting, the club has experienced a good growth and has been one of the most active civic organizations in this section of the State. All meetings are well attended and on numerous occasions, noted officials and personages of county and state have commended the officers and members upon their interest in affairs of public benefit.

Honorary members include Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Gilbert H. Morris, C. H. Bartlett, commissioner of public safety, the pastors of West Asheville churches, and several others.

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ACHIEVEMENTS OF CLUB ARE NAMED

West Asheville Civic Group Nears Close Of Fourth Year

Numerous movements, many of which were of major importance, have been promoted to success by the West Asheville Club since its organization in November, 1925, according to a report made [illegible] meetings on schedule before the completion of its fourth year, and the election of officers to serve during 1929-30, it was announced.

Since 1925 regular meetings have been held and the membership has shown a gratifying and substantial increase. Honorary members include Mayor Gallatin Roberts, Gilbert H. Morris, C. H. Bartlett, pastors of West Asheville churches, and others. Officers are: H. B. Posey, president; A. L. Duckett, chief of the Asheville fire department, vice-president; and Bert Starnes, secretary.

Movements in which the club took an active and effective part include city extension; securing the Enka plant; the establishment of three West Asheville information bureaus; a gas system for West Asheville; completion of a sidewalk; securing the approval of city officials of plans to establish a building line on Haywood Road with a 75-foot street from the French Broad river city limits at the railroad crossing, and other civic benefits.

The officers and members were also active in the promotion of the Rhododendron Festival, and in sending underprivileged boys for a vacation at the Asheville Y. M. C. A. camp.

The club has the honor of being the first civic group in the city to entertain officials of the American Enka Corporation, and in turn the officers and members were guests at a breakfast given at the Enka plant.

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EWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE

Citizen Bureau, 729½ Haywood Road
Telephone 1602

West Asheville Citizen Bureau Is Moved To 643

Beginning Monday morning, the West Asheville Bureau of The Asheville Citizen, which was opened at 729 1-2 Haywood road last February, will be located at 643 Haywood road in the Martin building.

The old telephone number, 1602, will be retained, and the office will be open from 9 o'clock in the morning until 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon on all days except Sunday, when the office will be closed. During these hours a representative of The Citizen will be at the office to handle news and to serve the interests of West Asheville people in every way possible.

The purpose of The Citizen in maintaining a West Asheville office is to furnish its readers with a live daily news section, and to offer the best service possible to the citizens who compose the western section of Greater Asheville. At all times, the cooperation of civic organizations and citizens will be appreciated.

The Citizen is a member of the West Asheville Merchants association and the first and only daily newspaper to offer the service and convenience of a Community Office to West Asheville.

Visitors are cordially invited to call at the office at any time. Persons wishing to report news items or communicate in any other way with the Bureau are requested to call 1602 from 9 until 5:30 o'clock during the day. At night, please call the main office, number 6600.

Asheville Citizen October 20, 1929

TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 22, 1929

Assessed Valuation Of City Over $113,000,000

Assessed valuation of property in Asheville increased $17,866,816 by the extension of the city limits, it was revealed yesterday when J. E. Gibson, city secretary-treasurer, filed a report with the city commissioners showing the new 1929-1930 tax list.

Asheville property was valued last year at $96,016,823, according to the tax records. With the acquisition of the new territory, the valuation mounted to $113,883,639. The city will realize $1,822,131.60 in taxes this year from the nine wards.

The added territory gives the city three additional wards. Ward No. 7, comprising Biltmore, South Biltmore, and portions of Biltmore Forest; Ward No. 8, Kenilworth and sections of Haw Creek and Chunn's Cove; and Ward No. 9, all of North Asheville.

The figures given on the report do not include the corporation excess taxes which will probably total $4,000,000. These figures are computed at Raleigh. Poll taxes will give the city $9,213, the report states.

Valuation of the wards follows:

No. 1	$ 8,646,684
No. 2	21,304,572
No. 3	23,572,946
No. 4	25,258,548
No. 5	9,701,722
No. 6	6,227,448
No. 7	4,439,456
No. 8	4,082,590
No. 9	10,750,675
Total	$113,883,639

Asheville Citizen October 22, 1929

Eight Eliada Entrants Win State Fair Awards

West Asheville Farm Sent Only County Stock To Raleigh

Eight members of the pure bred Guernsey dairy herd of the Eliada Orphanage, near West Asheville, were back in the farm pastures yesterday after a trip to the North Carolina State Fair at Raleigh where they won eight ribbons and other awards in competition with the best dairy herds of the State. J. P. McRary, chief herdsman, was in charge of the entrants on the trip, and was met in Raleigh by the Rev. L. B. Compton, director of the farms and orphanage, who came from New York City where he has been on business.

"Holderness Of Fermaine"

"Holderness of Fermaine" prize imported member of the herd, was judged second to the grand champion of the State, and was awarded a cash prize with ribbon, while "Topsy's Sequel," Eliada sire, won second place in competition with a large array of the best blooded sires in North Carolina, also winning a cash prize with his ribbon.

"Mosque's Lilly" won second prize in the two-year-old class, and "Laddy from Eliada Farm" was judged second best in the one-year-old calf class. A small calf of pure bred type also brought the fourth prize in this class back to the farm, and two calves won second prize in the class allocated to animals of blood relation show from the same farm.

Two First Prizes

"Myra's Topsy" was awarded first prize in the senior yearling class for entrants over three and less than four years of age, and "Jim Boy" of Eliada Farms" also won first place in the junior calf class. Prizes have been awarded by the State Fair officials.

The Eliada herd is classed among the best in the State and the entrants were the only ones from Buncombe county at the Fair. "Holderness of Fermaine" was awarded first place in the judging contest conducted at the farms several weeks ago by the North and South Carolina Guernsey Breeders' associations.

Mr. McRary stated yesterday that in his opinion, the fair just closed was the most successful and best ever held in the State.

Asheville Citizen October 23, 1929

CHAPTER, LODGE TO STAGE PARTY

Halloween Festival Is Planned For Monday Evening In W. A.

Officers and members of Asheville Chapter No. 191, Order of the Eastern Star, and the West Asheville Masonic Lodge, 665, A. F. and A. M., will entertain at a Halloween party tomorrow evening at the lodge halls at 11 Hanover Street, beginning at 8 o'clock.

The occasion will be one of the [illegible] by the two fraternal groups this year, and a large attendance of members and guests is being arranged for. Families of the members with friends will attend, and games with a program of songs and readings will compose a part of the entertainment, after which refreshments will be served. Decorations of corn shocks, pumpkins, autumn leaves and flowers will be used with lanterns to lend a realistic Halloween background.

Committees in charge are: decorations, Mrs. Glenn Henderson, chairman, Mrs. Myrtle Munsey, Mrs. Ruby Barrett, Mrs. Alma Dutton, Mrs. Verna Clark, and Mrs. John Onney; games and entertainment, Mrs. L. Franklin, chairman; Mrs. Margaret Young and Mrs. Edith Small; refreshments, Mrs. Edith McRary, chairman; Miss Annie Van Valkenburg, Mrs. Gertrude Sowers, and Mrs. Kate Hollingsworth.

Asheville Citizen October 27, 1929

CITIZENS FAVOR QUIET HALLOWEEN

1928 Property Damage In West Asheville Is Remembered

Recalling what was described as being "an unreasonable and costly damage of property" in West Asheville and other parts of the city last year, for which Halloween celebrators are said to have been responsible, several citizens yesterday afternoon and last night requested The Citizen to call attention of the public to their request that 1929 celebrators exercise more care without subtracting anything from the merriment and fun of the joyful occasion.

Damage to vacant houses, property enclosures, shrubbery other property last year is said to have amounted to several dollars, and in view of this contention, interested citizens expressed the hope that tonight the celebration will be confined to parties, dances and other amusement, instead of any time being given to secret damage to property.

Asheville Citizen October 31, 1929

BARKER'S STORE IS DOLLS' HOME

West Asheville Girls Are Invited To Attend The Plaza Party

For convenience and to take care of a rapidly increasing membership in the new Doll Society, The Asheville Citizen yesterday opened a new doll headquarters for West Asheville girls, at Barker's Department Store, 162 Haywood road, like the headquarters at the Susquehanna Furniture company, 15 Broadway, the Middlemount Gardens, 38 Haywood street, Miss Cruise's Beauty Shop at 23 Haywood street, and Mooneyham's Drug Store at Woodfin. Barker's was a busy place yesterday, especially after school hours, even if the weather man did deliver a showery day.

With all the other little girls in Western North Carolina and Asheville, the girls living in West Asheville have been extended a cordial invitation to attend The Citizen's big doll party to be held in the Plaza theater on Pack Square Saturday morning, beginning at 10 o'clock. The party will last a whole hour and everything will be free, including a special picture in which Harold Lloyd, the funny man of the movies, will entertain the guests, and ice cream will be served.

Asheville Citizen November 1, 1929

COMMUNITY CLUB GROUP TO MEET

West Asheville Civic Organization Plans Business Program

An important business program has been planned for the November meeting of the West Asheville Community Club to be held at the home of Mrs Jacob S Handte, 48 Blue Ridge avenue, Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, officers announced yesterday.

Mrs C Whit Gaskins, president, will preside, and associate hostesses with Mrs Handte will be Mrs Hugh Sowers Mrs O V Himes, Mrs L E Barnes and Mrs L F Barrett. New members of the club will be in the receiving line, and the 1929-30 year books will be distributed. This will be one of the most important meetings of the year officers said yesterday, and a large attendance is expected.

Asheville Citizen November 3, 1929

1929 ELECTRICAL MEET SCHEDULED

West Asheville Civic Club To Name Board And Officers

The annual electoral session of the West Asheville Club will be held at Hall Fletcher junior high school next Thursday night in connection with the first November meeting it was announced yesterday. Following the luncheon at 7 o'clock, the club will go into business session and vote upon a list of fifteen nominees selected recently by a committee appointed at the last meeting.

The present officers are President H. B. Posey; Vice-president A. L. Duckett, and Secretary Bert Starnes. The 1928-29 board of directors is composed of Dr. H. G. Brookshire, Dr. G. A. Shieder, Hugh Sowers, Howard P. Clayton and C. B. Anderson. From the following list a new board of directors and all officers for the ensuing year will be elected by ballot:

J. W. Easton, D. W. Smith, E. H. Buckner, W. M. Hamrick, Dr. George P. Baier, Jr., W. E. Barker, A. L. Duckett, C. F. Byerly, H. B. Posey, F. J. Austin, Bert Starnes, Howard P. Clayton, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, C. B. Anderson and Hugh Sowers.

November will be the fourth anniversary of the club's organization, and in connection with this event a special program will probably be given.

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Daring Plane 'Theft' Charged To Asheville Pilot

WARRANT IS ISSUED FOR DR. OWENS AT RALEIGH

Sheriff Seeks Local Man And Two Others For Larceny

TRIO RISKS DEATH LEAVING AIRPORT

Claim Craft Attached; Indictments Will Be Sought In Case

RALEIGH, Nov. 2. (AP)

Three airmen who dared death in taking off with a cold motor from a dark field early this morning in a plane technically stolen from the Sheriff of Wake County, tonight were the objects of search by county authorities who held warrants against them charging larceny of property under attachment. It was said at the courthouse that indictments would be sent to the grand jury Monday charging them with assault with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon, and that they would be held in contempt of court if they were returned.

The three men, who staged the first airplane "robbery" in the history of flying here, were named in the warrants as:

Dr. J. E. Owens, Asheville, assistant chief pilot of the Eastern Air Express' J. R. Waren, Patterson, N. J., expert employed by the Wright Aero Corporation, and Echford Hodgson, mechanic of the Air Express Line.

Dr. J. E. Owens, who practiced dentistry in Asheville for some time and is very popular here as an aviator, is well known all over the south for his expert handling of airplanes. He owned an Eaglerock plane and kept it here on the Fletcher landing field for some time and was one of the first instructors of aviation in this section of the country, some time before Asheville considered seriously the construction of an airport.

After becoming proficient in both straight and stunt flying and having [illegible] more than a local reputation as a pilot, Dr. Owens left Asheville and "barnstormed" about the country with various air circus aggregations. He was with the Mabel Cody Flying Circus for some time, taking part in the air carnival here a year ago at the Fletcher field, now the Asheville-Hendersonville airport.

Dr. Owens has many friends in this vicinity who believe that there must be some mistake in the dispatch received relative to the story of today. Dr. Owens was a conspicuous participant in the air derby at Miami, Fla., last spring and was one of the winners in the stunt events.

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THE WEATHER
NORTH CAROLINA: Probably rain and colder Monday, Tuesday fair.

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN

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'DOC' OWENS JAILED IN NEW YORK FOR PLANE THEFT

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GUN USED TO GET SHIP IN RALEIGH FOR HOP, CHARGE

Three Are Held For Wake County As Fugitives

SHERIFF ON WAY WITH WARRANTS

Owen Says Found Note But Could Get No Explanation

(Special To The Citizen)

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The City of Savannah, a Bellanca monoplane of the Eastern Air Express, which Sheriff N. F. Turner, of Raleigh, N. C., declared was taken from the Raleigh airport by force and at the point of a gun on Saturday, was landed at Holmes Airport, near Jackson Heights, Queens, at six o'clock today. About noon Detective Edmund Bow-

GO TO GET TRIO

RALEIGH, Nov. 3. (AP)—Sheriff Numa F. Turner and Deputy Sheriff Oliver Smith left Raleigh tonight for New York armed with requisition papers calling for the return to Raleigh of Dr. J. E. Owens, assistant chief pilot of the Eastern Air Express and two others to face charges of larceny of an airplane and assault with a deadly weapon.

ers, of the Astoria precinct police station, walked into the Holmes airport operations office and arrested three men on the telegraphed instructions of the Raleigh sheriff and they were locked up in the Queens County jail tonight charged with being fugitives from justice in North Carolina.

The three men, who accompanied Detective Bowers without protest, are Dr. J. E. Owens, pilot of the City of Savannah; Eckford Hodgson, co-pilot and mechanic, and John Warren, of 43 Walnut Street, Belleville, N. J., who was a passenger on the plane.

The telegraphed instructions on which the three men were arrested alleged that the sheriff charged them with grand larceny, assault with deadly weapons and resisting an officer.

Dr. Owen's Story

Owens said that he knew nothing about the charges, that he had merely flown the plane north in accordance with instructions from the air express company which has its terminal and headquarters at Holmes Airport.

He said that he started the trip north from Camden, S. C., on Friday, that he put the plane up at the Raleigh airport for the night on Friday and that the following morning when he arrived at the airport to resume the flight he found a note on yellow paper stuck in the plane. The note, which bore a two-cent stamp, said "Do not touch, by order of the sheriff's office." He said he asked an airport attendant about the note and not being able to get any satisfactory explanation, took off the note and flew away.

A representative of the Air Express company at Holmes Airport today said that they had been waiting for more than a week for the start of repossession proceedings on the plane by the U. S. Acceptance Corporation. He said that his company knew nothing of the sheriff's actions and that at the end of the week it was decided to move the City of Savannah north.

Although Warren was only a passenger, he was arrested, the police said, because the sheriff alleged he became an accessory when he helped start the plane. The three men, who will be arraigned this morning, insisted that they would fight extradition.

DARING TAKEOFF

(Special To The Citizen)

RALEIGH, Nov. 3. (AP)—Three men, a monoplane and a gun figured in one of the strangest narratives ever originating from a flying field, as told by Elton Lee, night watchman at the Raleigh airport.

Lee said three men came to the hangar about 2 o'clock Saturday morning and engaged him in conversation. He said they looked over the plane, "City of Savannah," and loitered about for about an hour. Suddenly, he said, one of the men drew a gun and poked it in his ribs, commanding him to keep quiet. The men rigged up a makeshift spark-plug to replace one removed from the engine's motor, started the motor and taxied out on the field, taking off immediately in the face of possible disaster from darkness and a "cold" motor.

The men in the story are Dr. J. E. Owen, former Asheville dentist and now assistant chief pilot of the Eastern Air Express, J. R. Warren, of Paterson, N. J., expert employed by the Wright Aeronautical corporation, and Echford Hodgson, Eastern Air Express mechanic. All were under arrest in New York tonight as fugitives from Justice in North Carolina.

The story has to do with the alleged "theft" Saturday of a monoplane, "City of Savannah," owned by the Eastern Air Express and under attachment by the United States Acceptance Corporation, which claimed a balance due on the purchase. The Eastern Air Express operated two other planes, "City of Raleigh" and "City of Columbia," which also were under attachment.

The "City of Savannah" was flown here Friday from Camden, S. C., by Dr. Owens. It was closely followed by "The City of Raleigh," in charge of David Betchel, of Philadelphia, representative of the United States Acceptance Corporation, who claimed a balance due on the three Bellanca monoplanes used by the Eastern Air Express in launching the line.

According to Mr. Betchel, the planes had been ordered grounded in Camden and had been there three days when Owens gave him the slip Friday and took off in "The City of Savannah." He said he immediately followed him in "The City of Raleigh" landing at Curtiss Field airport here a few minutes after the first ship.

The ships were hangared at the airport and the two factions went to a local hotel. The credit representative claimed that there were papers for the seizure of the planes, two of which were bought on terms and another paid for. He explained he was after the paid-for plane too, in order to balance depreciation of the other two.

Dr. Owens said that the air line was willing to pay for the ships but that they had been represented as new when bought whereas actually they had been flown for a good many hours.

Mr. Bechtel retained Clyde A. Douglass, local attorney and late Friday night took out attachment papers on both planes, Sheriff Turner putting them on the ships and deputizing Elton Lee, night watchman at the field to guard them.

About 2 o'clock in the morning, Lee said, three men appeared and engaged him in conversation. They looked over the plane, loitering for nearly an hour, the watchman said. Then one of their number put a gun in his ribs and told him to keep quiet.

Lee kept quiet.

The men took over the plane, from which a spark plug had been removed by the sheriff's men, and lacking another plug of the right size, rigged a makeshift plug for the hole. They taxied onto the field and roared off into the night.

Saturday morning the warrants were issued for the three men when it was ascertained at the hotel that they were missing, and Mr. Bechtel and his attorney appeared at the court house and the attachment proceedings on the "City of Raleigh" vacated so that it might be moved North.

Shortly afterward it took the air under the control of a credit corporation pilot.

It is reported that indictments charging the three airmen with assault with a deadly weapon, carrying a concealed weapon and contempt of court would be handed the Wake county grand jury when it convenes tomorrow. Wake county officers already hold warrants charging the men with larceny of property under attachment.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE 1919 AUTO AERIAL TRIP IS RECALLED

Exactly ten years ago yesterday, according to the files of The Citizen the carelessness of a West Asheville automobile owner gave Asheville one of its first aerial stunts, and the one and only instance where an automobile has been known to stage a real take-off from the ground.

According to the story, the owner left the machine a large five-passenger affair, parked in his home yard and went inside the house. Evidently discontented, the 1919 gasoline buggy went on a rampage and ended up on the roof of a four-room cottage in Tremont Park. After several men had worked for almost three hours, the "aerial auto" was persuaded to park on terra firma again through the use of a derrick.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1929

RAY CHILD DIES AFTER EXPLOSION

Flames Injure Mother In W. Asheville Home Tragedy

Funeral service for Cecil Rogers Ray, age thirteen months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Glenn Ray, of 8 Moody Avenue, West Asheville, who was fatally burned in an explosion at the home Wednesday afternoon, was held at the Iola Baptist Church, near Franklin, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Solsbee, of Franklin, officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

According to the mother, who is confined to her bed, suffering from severe burns, the little boy was playing with a can of paint in the living room when he suddenly tossed it into the fireplace. The roaring flames enveloped the container and the explosion was almost instantaneous, the burning liquid striking both the child and his mother. The child died at Aston Park hospital two hours later, while the mother is expected to recover. The father was working near the house when the explosion occurred, Mrs. Ray said.

Surviving are the parents and one small brother, Robert Glenn Ray, Jr.; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Ray, father and mother of Mr. Ray, and Mrs. Lucy Jacobs, mother of Mrs. Ray.

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BUILDING LINES ON TWO STREETS ARE AUTHORIZED

Measures On Haywood And Asheland Adopted By City Heads.

Ordinances establishing building lines on Haywood road and Asheland avenue to pave the way for eventual widening of these thorofares were adopted by the city commissioners Thursday morning.

Building lines for both streets were recommended to the city commissioners by the planning board. The ordinances were introduced at

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emergency measures by Commissioner L. B. Rogers, of the public works department, and will become effective immediately upon publication.

The Haywood road ordinance establishes a building line on both sides of the street to allow 75 feet between property fronts. It extends on the north side of Haywood road from Argyle Lane to Mildred avenue and on the south side from Sand Hill road to Richmond avenue. The distance of the building was established back of property lines on both sides of the street varies from 10 to 25 feet in order that the 75-foot provision between property fronts might be maintained uniformly.

On Asheland avenue a building line was established ten feet east of the east property line and ten feet west of the west property line

WEST ASHEVILLE PIGEONS FINISH FIRST IN RACES

Eleven pigeons owned by John Mimidis, of West Asheville, finished first in the second race of the Asheville Pigeon club held Sunday, it was announced yesterday. The birds flew over a 50-mile course from Morganton to Asheville, all of those entered by Mr. Mimidis arriving first at their houses in West Asheville.

Other winners were J. H. Horne, second place, and R. S. Meroney, third place. The birds belonging to Mr. Mimidis won the Asheville-Marion race several week ago. A. E. Mutton, of Asheville, has offered a silver cup for the winning entry in a 100-mile race to be held here soon. It was announced yesterday.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE CLUB TO CHOOSE 1930 OFFICERS

Rev. Creson To Make Chief Address At Meeting Thursday.

Election of officers for the ensuing year and an address by the Rev. W. P. Creson, pastor of West Asheville Presbyterian church, will feature the meeting of West Asheville club at Hall Fletcher junior high school Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. This will be the first time the Rev. Mr. Creson has made an address before the club, of which he has been made an honorary member.

A president, vice-president and secretary and a board of five directors be chosen from a group of about 15 prominent West Asheville men. The list includes:

S. W. Eason, D. W. Smith, E. W. Buckner, W. M. Hamrick, Dr. George A. Baier, Jr., W. E. Barker, A. L. Duckett, C. F. Byerly, H. B. Posey, F. J. Austin, Bert Starnes, Howard P. Clayton, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, C. B. Anderson, Hugh Bowers.

C. B. Anderson, Howard P. Clayton, Hugh Bowers, Dr. J. G. Anderson and Dr. G. A. Shieder composed the board of directors for the past year while present officers are, H. B. Posey, president; A. L. Duckett, vice-president; and Bert Starnes, secretary. E. H. Buckner and C. B. Anderson are in charge of Thursday evening's program. Music will be furnished by Miss Ruth Kaylor, soloist and Mrs. Claudia Smathers, pianist.

Bruce Emory Research

WEST ASHEVILLE MAY BE SITE OF BAPTIST CHURCH

French Broad Congregation Divided On Plans For Future.

TO HOLD MASS MEETING

Dowell Expected To Go With Group Intent On New Building.

Half of the 300-odd members of the French Broad Avenue Baptist church will meet at the Vance school at 8 o'clock Friday night to organize a new church which they plan to build in West Asheville.

The meeting Friday night will be presided over by the Rev. F. M. Dowell, pastor of the French Broad Avenue church, who, it was understood, will go from his old church to serve with the new one. Pending the outcome of the mass meeting, those who have remained with the old church have made no plans for calling another preacher.

Are Taking Lead

Leaders in the plan to organize the new church from among members of the French Broad Avenue Baptist church were said to be Clyde T. Morgan, Sunday School superintendent; Landon Riddle, chairman of the board of deacons; J. W. Jacokes, secretary of the board of deacons and superintendent of the junior department of the Sunday School; L. Roy Young, director of music, H. B. Stroup; C. S. Raynesford; Miss Thelma Killian, pianist, and others.

Among those leaving French Broad Avenue Baptist church were reported to be virtually all departmental superintendent and four-fifths of the Sunday School teachers.

A disagreement over where the French Broad Avenue church members should worship was reported to be responsible for the gift. A portion of the membership desired that a new church should be located in West Asheville since many members live there and another portion wished to remain in the old church on South French Broad avenue.

As a result of this disagreement, it was reported the mass meeting was called and plans to organize the new church have been laid.

To Meet At School

Temporarily, it was announced, the members of the new church will worship in the Vance school each Sunday. Later it is planned to erect a tabernacle and still later a new church building, possibly at Sulphur Springs road and Haywood road.

The organizers of the new church will begin to worship at the Vance school the second Sunday in December, they announced Friday.

The new church organizer Friday extended an invitation to all persons living in the French Broad section or in other sections who are interested in the new church movement to attend the mass meeting at the Vance school Friday night.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1929

Hall Fletcher Pupils Dramatize 'Faith In Asheville' Reasons

Each Member Of Cast Labeled With Sign Naming Reason Represented.

The Hall Fletcher Junior High school staged a "Have Faith in Asheville" program at the chapel hour Tuesday morning that undoubtedly would make the civic clubs of the city sit up and take special notice. The civic clubs are competing with each other to see which can put on the best "Have Faith in Asheville" program and the clubs will have to extend themselves to put on a finer program than was presented at the Hall Fletcher school Tuesday morning.

The program was a dramatized presentation of the reasons why Asheville should have faith in Asheville. Each special reason was represented by a boy or girl, who spoke on that particular subject. Each member of the cast was duly labelled with a huge sign naming the reason he represented and in addition several wore appropriate costumes.

Turn Visitor Into Citizen.

The presentation was conceived by and staged by Miss Emily Wright, teacher of the class in social problems, assisted by Miss Rosalie Conn, of the creative English class. The students in the program were from these two classes.

The program opened with a newsboy yelling "Extra" and a visitor in an Asheville hotel sending a bellboy out to get one to satisfy his curiosity in the matter. The visitor found the "Extra" to be The Asheville Times heralding the "Have Faith in Asheville" campaign. The visitor became intensely interested in Asheville and read the newspaper thoroughly to find out all he could about it.

As the visitor sat in his hotel chair smoking and reading about Asheville, a pageant of the progress and advantages of Asheville was

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'FAITH' REASONS DRAMATIZED BY HALL FLETCHER

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presented on the other side of the stage. After the pageant the visitor arose from his seat, put down his paper and declared that he was satisfied about Asheville. He said he was convinced of the splendid opportunities and attractions in Asheville and announced his determination to make this community his home.

Dramatize Newspaper

The part of the visitor was admirably taken by Eugene Mitchell, who is president of the Hall Fletcher student body. The bellboy was Victor Murdock and the newsboy Carlton Lanning.

The ingenius idea of the pageant was the presentation of the many advantages of Asheville through the medium of the various pages of The Times. The pageant characters entered the stage through the door of a structure covered with newspapers and labelled "The Asheville Times."

The first character was Dennis Monroe representing the "Front Page." Her speech informed the audience that "within the contents of this paper you will find many good reasons why we, the people of Asheville, believe in our city."

Then the various other pages and departments of The Times were splendidly represented and happily dramatized.

Attractions Illustrated

Following the "Front Page" the "Business Page" appeared. L. M. McEwen led off representing the headlines. Dorothy Snyder followed representing the Biltmore Homespun Industries. Sara Harrett, clad in a blanket, next appeared representing the Beacon Blanket Mills. Next came Margaret Johnson, attired in white sheeting, representing the Sayles-Biltmore Bleachery. Then came Carl Blokzyl, stepson of A. J. L. Morita, chief engineer of the American Enka plant here, representing the Enka plant.

Brooks Ray represented roads and highways. Grace Everett represented the school page. The farmers' page was represented by James Swaney, who in addition to his speech exhibited a bottle of milk, an apple and a potato to illustrate his part.

The sports pages were presented by several characters representing various kinds of sports. Golf was represented by Walter Bell; hiking by Edna Mesmer and Billy Meyers; baseball by Frank Kiser and football by Carter Hawkins.

Editorial Page is Climax

Christine Wallace, beautifully dressed in white robes and carrying a lighted candle, climaxed and summarized the pageant representing the editorial page. Her light represented the light of truth and knowledge.

Others who helped with the program were Ed Black, Carl Somers and Elmer Mattern.

George A. Hartwick, principal of Hall Fletcher Junior High School, said in introducing the unusual program that the Hall Fletcher students had entered into the "Have Faith in Asheville" campaign with keen enthusiasm. The Hall Fletcher students are also participating in the various essay contests being conducted by the schools in connection with the campaign.

The chapel program Tuesday morning was easily the most original enterprise and most inspiring feature to be developed thus far in the "Have Faith in Asheville" campaign.

Bruce Emory Research

Home Of Negro Burns; Damage Is Near $1,500

Fire, catching from an overheated stove, Tuesday morning destroyed the home of Janie Gillam, negro, at 192 Fayetteville street, West Asheville, and threatened to spread through the entire section.

The four-room house was burned to the ground and the houses on either side of it were scorched by the flames. The central, West Asheville, and Bartlett street departments answered the call and prevented the spread of the fire.

The destroyed house occupied by Janie Gillam was owned by Katherine Long. The damage was estimated at about $1,500.

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COMING

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

McCORMICK FIELD

MAY 17 & 18

FRIDAY — 3:30; SATURDAY — 2 O'CLOCK

THE CUBAN RED SOX

--- VS ---

ASHEVILLE BLACK TOURIST

DON'T! MISS! IT!

The Cuban Red Sox first game in North Carolina, making it the most thrilling, fastest, spectacular game of the season.

WATCH! The Cubans do their baseball antics, backhand catches, Spanish chatter, and "shadow-ball exhibition."

SEE!

THE DOUBLE HEADER SATURDAY

Admission 50c

Reserved Seats for White

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WEST ASHEVILLE MERCHANTS MEET

Credit Rating System Is Discussed; Annual Banquet Held

A general discussion of the proposed credit rating system and the formulation of plans for the publication of a credit rating book under the auspices of the organization featured the business program at a meeting of the West Asheville Merchants association held at Hall Fletcher junior high school last night.

The occasion was the annual banquet of the association, and President John May presided over the business meeting. Secretary V. F. Brown outlined plans for the installation of the system and reported on work accomplished to date, and plans to complete the gathering of data so that the book can be printed were made.

The system provides for an "A" and "B" rating for customers, and will also list all members of the association which now total 65. Eight new members, including the Asheville Citizen, were enrolled recently.

Secretary Brown pointed out that the purpose of the plan is to facilitate the transaction of business, to give merchants a convenient rating and reference with wholesale houses and jobbers, and to function as a mutual benefit system for both merchants and customers.

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MANY PUPILS ARE SAVING FOR TOUR

1930 Washington Trip Planned For Night School Pupils

Ninety-five per cent of the pupils enrolled at the Aycock night school, West Asheville, are saving expense funds for the 1930 educational tour to Washington, members of the faculty stated yesterday. Several of the pupils have already saved the required amount of $25 and others have savings accounts which, if continued at the present rate, will exceed the amount before April, 1930 when the tour is to be made, it was said.

For several weeks the pupils have been studying literature on the national capital and States enroute, and are making a Washington book for the trip. This book contains clipped pictures and information and when completed will be used as a study text book at the school. Quite a great deal of material has been obtained from Pack Memorial library and other sources.

At present the pupils are studying a series of 50 views of interesting places about Washington which were made by the Keystone View company.

Other night schools in the city are planning to send pupils on the trip which will be in charge of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Morris, Mrs. J. M. Day and other workers in Asheville. Mrs Day is a member of the Aycock faculty.

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Roberts Completes Tennis Court Work

Roy P. Roberts, West Asheville grading and excavation contractor, yesterday announced the completion of a large tennis court at 61 Westwood place. Space for the court which is in charge of J. R. Bennet was given by Mrs. Laskly. Approximately 300 yards of dirt was moved in constructing the court.

Mr. Roberts handled the excavation contracts for the new West Asheville post office. Bledsoe and Robeson buildings, the new Mission hospital nurses home, and other Asheville projects completed recently.

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GROUP TO STUDY MARKET SYSTEMS

West Asheville Curb Plan Slated For Discussions

Should the proposed curb market system for West Asheville meet with the favorable consideration of local business men and farmers plans to get the plan in operation will be made as soon as possible, supporters of the movement stated yesterday.

The curb market systems of cities in North Carolina and Tennessee and possibly other points will be studied and data and information on the operation of such markets gathered for local use, it was said.

The matter will be discussed at a joint meeting of the West Asheville Club and the Leicester Community Life Club to be held at Leicester high school next Wednesday night, since it is considered probable that many farmers in the vicinity of Leicester will be interested in the proposition.

W. S. McRary has been appointed by President H. B. Posey of the West Asheville Club to supervise an investigation of the situation. He is being assisted by a committee.

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Paving Delayed On West Asheville - Enka Route

Paving of the West Asheville-Enka highway will not begin until about July 1, officials of the Asheville Paving company, who were awarded the contract in March, stated yesterday. The delay is due to incompletion of grading and the construction of the Ragsdale, Hominy No. 1 and Hominy No. 2 bridges, it was said.

A consideration of $86,960 was involved in the contract which was awarded by the county commission. Work was planned to begin shortly after the contract was let, but has been delayed. The four miles of hardsurfacing is to be completed in 60 days.

The bridge contracts total a combined cost of approximately $50,000, and all three structures are said to be well underway.

It has been estimated that the road will serve approximately 20,000 people who will be connected with the American Enka corporation plant, in addition to hundreds of tourists and others who constitute the normal traffic of such an important highway link. The route is said to be considerably shorter than the present highway No. 10 from West Asheville to Enka.

Specifications call for a highway 20 feet wide, 8 inches thick on the edges and 6 inches thick in the center, and so constructed that widening to 36 feet will be possible.

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1929

Junior Music Club To Go On Air Today

A group of musicians selected from the Blanchard Junior Music Club, of West Asheville, will present the semi-weekly musical broadcast program of the club from Station WWNC "The Voice of The Citizen," from 5 until 5:30 o'clock this afternoon

Mrs. A. X. Blanchard and others will have charge of the program

Asheville Citizen

GARDNER TRIAL IS NEARING END

Defense Offers Testimoney In Effort To Show "Plant"

The defense in the trial of Dr. G. D. Gardner, in United States District court here, scored heavily late yesterday with evidence tending to show that the two ounces of morphine which the government alleges was bought from the physician was in reality "planted."

C. M. Champion, of Oteen, told of being near the scene in West Asheville and seeing the box which Walker Smith, alleged addict, is supposed to have purchased from Dr. Gardner passed to Smith from someone in a coupe just after Dr. Gardner's car had driven off.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Culver told of seeing someone approach an automobile belonging to Dr. Gardner near a downtown hotel just before the trip to West Asheville where the arrest was made was started. The man secured what looked like a physician's case from the car and then returned it, they testified.

Several other witnesses were introduced to corroborate the testimony offered by the three above. It was upon this evidence, to a large extent, that the defense is basing its case. Character witnesses were also offered.

The government's case, which was presented by Assistant District Attorneys Charlie Green and Frank Patton, was based largely upon the testimony of undercover men and upon the evidence of Walker Smith.

The defense attorneys were A. Hall Johnson and James S. Howell. The case is expected to be completed early today.

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JUDGE AVERY TO ADDRESS ORDER

West Asheville Lodge Members To Gather At Hall Tonight

I. W. Avery, prominent Morganton attorney, will be the principal speaker at a meeting of Locke Craig Council 161, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, to be held at the Junior hall on Hanover street, West Asheville, tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Judge Avery is a member of of the Burkemont council, Jr., O. U. A. M., and is well known among North Carolina members of the order.

Ira W. Warren, deputy elect for the second district, will attend the meeting, and all local and visiting members of the order are urged by the council officers to attend.

A business session is also planned after which refreshments will be served. The wives and daughters of members are invited to attend the latter part of the program.

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CLUB OPERETTA IS SUCCESSFUL

Aycock Program Meets With Commendation Of Audience

After several weeks of regular rehearsals and extensive preparations the two-act musical operetta, "Barbarossa of Barbary," was presented by a cast of players from the Harmony Music Club at Aycock last night.

The school auditorium was packed with a large audience which gave the players round after round of applause at the conclusion of the first and final acts, many of whom described the operetta as being one of the most entertaining features ever given by Asheville talent.

The club orchestra also gave a concert and played the musical scores for the acts. Leno Solary appeared in the tenor role of Commodore Decatur, and Miss Maude Mallonee lead the Spanish chorus.

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Under the supervision of W. S. McRary and others plans for the installation of a proposed curb market system in West Asheville are being carefully studied. Should the plan meet with public approval the markets in other cities will be inspected and ideas essential to the operation of the curb system here obtained. Mr. McRary was appointed by President H. B. Posey, of the West Asheville Club.

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Figures available at the building permit desk in the city hall indicate that West Asheville is well on its way to retain the home building record in 1929. In 1928 close to $1,000,000 was expended for homes west of the river, while for the past five years the section has led all other Asheville sections in the number of building permits issued for homes.

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MRS. BARBEE IS HOSTESS TO CLUB

Junior Musicians Are Guests At Annual May Day Event

Mrs. S. A. Barbee was hostess to the officers and members of the Blanchard Junior Music Club, of West Asheville, at a May Day party given at her home on Haywood road yesterday afternoon. The party which is an annual event in the club program followed the monthly meeting which was held at 3 o'clock.

The routine business program was brief with the president, Miss Mary Stowe, presiding, after which came the musical program in charge of Mrs. Robert H. Spiro and Mrs. A. X. Blanchard.

The party was held on the spacious lawn of the home and was largely attended. A May pole and other seasonal features contributed to the entertainment, and afterwards refreshments were served.

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Entries In Baby Show Are Increasing Daily

Entries in the baby show to be conducted at the West Asheville Methodist church are increasing daily, it was announced yesterday. The event is being sponsored by Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society, and is open to all West Asheville babies from 3 months to 3 years of age.

All babies are to be examined by a trained nurse before officially entered, and good health and a strong physique will be important factors in awarding prizes.

The show will be held Friday, May 31, from 1 until 6 o'clock in the afternoon.

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Since January 1, one new real estate firm has located in West Asheville—R. A. Pailing and Son, 643 Haywood road. Mr. Pailing, who came here from Dover, Delaware, purchased a part of the holdings of J. L. Martin who has moved his office to his home on Haywood road.

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Steel reinforcements and framing are being placed in the new Bledsoe building adjoining the new West Asheville post office building on Haywood road, both of which are nearing completion. J. T. Bledsoe and company are constructors, and the two buildings will cost approximately $35,000.

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All exterior construction work on the new Robeson building on Haywood road is practically completed, and interior work is well underway. The building, which is being constructed for Mrs. Martha Robeson, will cost approximately $5,000.

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M'CLURE TO TALK AT CLUB MEETING

West Asheville Civic Organization Plans Varied Program

James G. K. McClure, of Asheville, will be the principal speaker at the semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville Club to be held at Hall Fletcher junior high school Thursday night at 7 o'clock. Mr. McClure will discuss "How West Asheville Can Best Cooperate with the Farmers near West Asheville."

Important topics slated for discussion at the meeting include the proposed curb market system, the information bureau system, and possibly the Boswell station movement. Plans for entering floats from the club and the West Asheville Community Club in the Rhododendron festival parade, and the participation of the community in the event in other ways will also probably receive attention.

The information bureau plans are in charge of a committee composed of Secretary Bert Starnes, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, and J. Oscar Barrett, and cover a proposed system of offices on Haywood road where visitors, tourists and others can obtain information about West Asheville.

Music will be furnished by a string quartet and Miss Thelma Moody, of the Vance school faculty, will entertain with a number of readings.

President H. B. Posey will preside and luncheon will be served by members of the Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star.

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WEST ASHEVILLE CONTRACT OFFICE IS DISCONTINUED

Due to the recent death of the clerk in charge, Dr. E. L. Pike, contract post office No. 7 which was located in Bilbro's drug store at the end of the carline on Haywood road, West Asheville, has been discontinued, it was announced at the West Asheville post office yesterday.

The office was to have been moved July 1 to the West Asheville Pharmacy at 418 Haywood road, and on that date when the new West Asheville post office will open, a branch will also open at the pharmacy. Until then there will be no No. 7 station, it was said.

All parcel post, registered letter and other service formerly conducted from Bilbro's drug store is now being handled from the main post office, although an individual stamp supply is being kept for sale at the former location. These stamps are sold for convenience to the public, and are purchased by the store from the post office.

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CLUB MUSICIANS TO HOLD MEETING

Miss Evelyn Baley To Entertain Members Monday Night

The music department of the West Asheville Community Club will meet at the home of the vice-chairman, Miss Evelyn Baley, 83 Beverly road, tomorrow night at 8 o'clock for the monthly meeting and program.

Mrs. J. W. Spencer, former chairman of the organization, will have charge of the program, and the present chairman, Miss Irene Logan, will preside. Hostesses will be Mrs. J. M. Baley, Miss Evelyn Baley, Dr. Jennie L. Spaulding, Miss Mary Wilder, Miss Mary Logan, Miss Parnell Davis and Miss Ava Orr.

A varied program consisting of vocal and instrumental music has been arranged. The meeting will be the first of the ensuing fiscal year, for which the following new officers have been chosen: Miss Irene Logan, chairman; Miss Evelyn Baley, vice-chairman; Miss Alma Guthrie, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. E. C. Griffin, reporter.

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., SUNDAY, MAY 19, 1929

UNIVERSAL ADDS TO SALES FORCE

West Asheville Firm Employes Johnson, Mrs. Sowers

Officials of the Universal Motor Company, Inc., West Asheville branch of the Richbourg Motor Company, yesterday announced the addition of Mrs. Hugh Sowers and Sam H. Johnson to the sales force.

Both Mrs. Sowers and Mr. Johnson, who are well known in Asheville, will begin their duties at once. Mrs. Sowers is a member of the West Asheville Community Club, and is also actively connected with the literary, music and civic departments of the organization. Her husband, Hugh Sowers, is connected with the Asheville branch of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company.

Mr. Johnson has been engaged in the real estate business here for the past two years. Previously he was employed by the Southern Railway for fifteen years.

Charles C. Ricker, of the concern which is located at 432 Haywood Road, stated yesterday that the Universal Company is a model Ford agency of its class in the Carolinas, and maintains a Class 8 shop with mechanics trained in the Ford school. The sales force consists of four members with three others employed in the parts department and office.

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NEW POSTOFFICE BUILDING TO OPEN TO PUBLIC JUNE 30

The West Asheville post office will open for business July 1, E. L. Bishop, superintendent of mails, Asheville post office, has announced.

A formal opening of the building which is located on Haywood road, a short distance west of the end of the carline, will be held Sunday, June 30, at which time the public will be invited to inspect the new branch office during the day.

All exterior work on the building is now completed, and interior work will soon be finished, J. T. Bledsoe of J. T. Bledsoe and company, constructors, announced recently.

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Asheville Silk Hosiery Mill Begins Operations

Operations at the plant of the Asheville Silk Hosiery Mills, Deaverview road, West Asheville, are now underway, officials stated yesterday.

Preliminary machinery tests and test manufacturing began several weeks ago, and since a day force with a small night shift have been employed and are now working. Two large machines and all the auxiliary machines are operating, it was said.

The complete equipment of the plant as now planned will consist of 16 machines to be installed in units of two. Several of the machines have been installed while others have been ordered.

The plant which cost approximately $250,000 to construct and equip, is located near Boswell siding, the site of the proposed passenger, express and freight office for West Asheville. Construction work on the building was begun last December and was completed about a month ago.

A high grade of silk hosiery will be manufactured for jobber and wholesale trade, and plans underway provide for a large mass production within a few months. The machines are being operated by trained operators, and recruited help is also being trained. Applications for employment are being filed for future reference as the force is increased.

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Bruce Emory Research

WEST ASHEVILLE FIRM RATES HIGH

Universal Motors Is Model; Operates An Excellent Shop

The Universal Motor Company, Inc., of 432 Haywood road, West Asheville, is now rated as a model Ford agency in the Carolinas, officials stated yesterday. The mechanics in charge were trained in the Ford Motor company school, with a sales organization of four members employed. Mrs. Hugh Bowers and Sam H. Johnson recently joined the sales force and have assumed their duties with the firm.

Officials yesterday called attention to the fact that the local impression that the Universal company is connected with the Richbourg Motor company, of Asheville, is not correct, the West Asheville firm being a separate and individual company and agency.

Three men are employed in the parts department and office, Charles C. Ricker, of the company, stated.

Asheville Citizen May 21, 1929

NIGHT SCHOOL TO HOLD EXERCISES

Dr. Alderman To Visit Aycock Friday Night For Inspection

The class of '29 Aycock night school, West Asheville, will be presented with certificates and awards of graduation at the county courthouse Saturday night.

Friday night Dr. I. E Alderman, of Washington, D C., national director of adult education will visit the school and meet with the pupils in their classes. Dr. Alderman will make the awards Saturday night, at which time members of graduating classes of the other city night schools will receive certificates.

The Aycock night school was scheduled to close May 7, but due to a unanimous request from the pupils, classes will remain in session until Friday night, so that Dr. Alderman may have an opportunity to visit the school and see the pupils at their work.

C. F. Jenkins, school president, is also president of the class. Mr. Jenkins learned to read and write in the night school classes. The faculty is composed of Mrs. J. M. Day, Mrs. H. F. Detheridge, Mrs. J. C. Duncan, Miss Vinnie Whitaker, and Miss Flossie Day. Several weeks ago the Pine Grove school was combined with Aycock which now has an enrollment of close to 100 pupils.

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WEST ASHEVILLE FLOATS PLANNED

Mrs. Handte To Direct The Community Club Arrangements

Plans for floats from the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club to be entered in the annual Rhododendron Festival parade, and for an active participation in the event in other ways, are underway by the two organizations, it has been announced.

Mrs. J. S. Handte has been appointed chairman of the float committee of the Community Club by the president, Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, and is now arranging preliminary details preparatory to calling a meeting of the committee and discussing plans for the float. A number of suggestions are expected from members of the club, and all will be thoroughly considered, and the most ideal plan selected.

At a recent meeting of the West Asheville Club R. E. Currence, who has been appointed to represent the organization on the festival committee, and others discussed the importance of West Asheville being represented by one or more floats in the parade. It was suggested that the matter be discussed further, and a committee to confer with the Community Club officers was appointed.

Mr. Currence was appointed at the request of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

Asheville Citizen May 22, 1929

NIGHT SCHOOL PUPILS WRITE

Progress Is Shown In Letters Received By The Citizen

A package of letters written by pupils in the second group at the Aycock night school, West Asheville, many of whom have learned to write in the "moonlight school" classes, has been received at the West Asheville office of The Citizen.

The letters which were forwarded by Mrs. J. M. Day, of the faculty, expressed the appreciation of the pupils for publicity given the night school work by The Citizen, and in an interesting manner, revealed the interest they have in their studies.

All of the letters were well written and their composition is commendable, both in spelling and writing, and are an indication of the progress the pupils are making in their studies.

The final session of classes for the year will be held Friday night when Dr. L. E. Alderman, national director of adult education, will visit the pupils, and see them at work. Dr. Alderman, whose headquarters are at Washington, will present certificates to the night school graduating classes of the city at the courthouse Saturday night. The Aycock class will attend with the president, C. F. Jenkins.

The school was scheduled to close May 7, but in compliance with the unanimous request of the pupils that classes be continued until Dr. Alderman arrives, the term was lengthened.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 22, 1929

LOCAL PHYSICIAN GIVEN SENTENCE

Dr. G. D. Gardner Will Serve Year And Day At Atlanta

Judge E. Yates Webb, presiding over the district term of federal court yesterday reduced an 18 months sentence imposed upon Dr. G. D. Gardner, local physician, to a year and a day in the federal prison at Atlanta. The physician will begin his sentence within a few days, it was learned. He was convicted on charges of violating the narcotic law.

A. Hall Johnson and James S. Howell handled the defendant's case, and entered an appeal to the 18 months sentence. The appeal was withdrawn when the sentence was reduced to a year and a day.

Floyd Beaver of Burnsville was given a year and a day sentence in the Chillicothe Federal reformatory when convicted on a charge of forgery. The prisoner, according to the testimony, forged his cousin's name to a government compensation check for $57.50 and cashed the instrument.

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FIRMS CONFER ON LOCATIONS HERE

Equipment Is Ordered For The Postoffice In West Asheville

A number of outside concerns, including one chain store, in addition to a local firm are negotiating with J. T. Bledsoe and Company, of Asheville, on leases for business locations in the new $25,000 structure now in course of construction on Haywood Road, West Asheville, it was announced yesterday. The names of the concerns were not divulged, although it was stated that several requests for space are on file.

The building which is located adjoining the new West Asheville post office, is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy by July 15, Mr. Bledsoe stated yesterday.

Equipment for the post office costing $5,300, has been ordered and is expected by June 7, the approximate date set for completion of the office structure. The fixtures were purchased by the Bledsoe firm, who are constructors of the building, and will be installed by them.

Formal opening of the post office will be held Sunday, June 30, and the post office department lease will go into effect for a period of ten years Monday morning, July 1, Asheville post office officials have announced.

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN.

WEST ASHEVILLE LIBRARY SOUGHT

Community Club Plans Announced; Public Aid Is Assured

A movement to secure a public library for West Asheville has been launched by the West Asheville Community Club, it was announced yesterday.

A committee has been appointed by the club to work out plans for the library and to report at meetings of the organization on progress made, and to take part in discussions of new plans. Mrs. C. B. Anderson has been named chairman of the committee by Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, president, and the movement has been placed on the club list as one of the most important plans now underway.

The services of a librarian have already been offered gratuitously, and many assurances of public support have been received.

Mrs. Anderson stated yesterday that a long time would probably be required to get plans perfected and underway, and to finance the library, since other things are being supported by the organization, including an educational plan.

The second girl to be educated by the club will graduate from Milligan College, Milligan, Tenn., in June where she has been a student for the past four years. A third girl will begin her college course next September as a beneficiary of the club

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M'Clure To Address West Asheville Club Tonight

"How West Asheville Can Best Cooperate with the Farmers near West Asheville," will be the subject of an address by James G. K. McClure Jr. at the semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville Club tonight at 7 o'clock.

The meeting will be held at Hall Fletcher high school with President H. B. Posey presiding and one of the most important business and community programs of the year has been arranged.

Matters slated for discussion include the proposed curb market and information bureau systems, the plans of the club for participation in the Rhododendron festival, and others.

Curb Market

Mr. McClure's address will also touch on the curb market system, in addition to other subjects of mutual interest to West Asheville and outlying sections such as Leicester, Hominy and Candler. The community cooperation program was launched several months ago when a series of "Community Night" programs were given at regular meetings of the organization. Delegations from Candler and Leicester were entertained, and last night a delegation from the local club visited the regular meeting of the Leicester Community Life Club where a joint program was given.

W. S. McRary has been appointed by President Posey to head the curb market committee. Members of the information bureau committee are Secretary Bert Starnes, Dr. H. G. Brookshire and J. Oscar Barrett. Dr. Brookshire is chairman of the public improvements committee.

Other features of the program include luncheon to be served by members of Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star, a string band concert, and a group of readings by Miss Thelma Moody, of the Vance school faculty.

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DIRECTORS FOR BUREAUS NAMED

West Asheville Club Sponsors System Of Offices

Directors of the three information bureaus to be operated in West Asheville under the supervision of the West Asheville Club, were announced yesterday.

Secretary Bert Starnes, of the club, will have charge of Bureau Office No. 1 which will be located at the Mutual Coal company, 440 Haywood road. Office No. 2 which will be at May's Market, 747 Haywood road will be managed by John May, who is president of the West Asheville Merchants association. Frank J. Austin, of Morris-Austin company, will have charge of Office No. 3 which will be located at the office of the firm, 1214 Haywood road.

All three offices will be opened at an early date, and each will be marked with a large sign bearing the number, the name of the director, and the information that the office is sponsored by the West Asheville Club. The signs will be painted, and will be worded on both sides.

The purpose of the plan is to furnish tourists, visitors and others with information about West Asheville. The plans for the offices were in charge of a committee composed of Mr. Starnes, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, and J. Oscar Barrett.

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SIXTEEN NIGHT SCHOOL PUPILS COMPLETE WORK

Sixteen pupils, composing the class of '29 at Aycock night school, West Asheville, will receive certificates of graduation at the county courthouse tonight. The president, C. F. Jenkins, who is a member of the Class of '28, will receive a continuation certificate.

The certificates will be awarded by Dr. L. E. Alderman, of Washington, D. C., national director of adult education, who is in Asheville on an inspection tour of the city night schools.

Graduating pupils of the other Asheville night schools will also receive their certificates tonight.

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COMMITTEE TO ARRANGE FLOAT

West Asheville Civic Club To Take Part In Festival

Appointment of a committee to supervise plans for the participation of the West Asheville Community Club in the Rhododendron Festival, and to arrange for a float to be entered in the festival parade was announced yesterday by Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, president.

Members of the committee are: Mrs. J. S. Handte, chairman; Mrs. Carl C. Hauk, Mrs. J. G. Anderson, Mrs. Raymond H. Officer, and Mrs. R. B. Truett. The first meeting was held Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Gaskins where plans were discussed, and other meetings are to be held.

The West Asheville Club is also planning to enter a float, the matter having been discussed at a recent meeting, when it was decided to confer with officers of the Community Club, and to enlist the support of members of both organizations. R. E. Currence, a member of the club, has been appointed by President H. B. Posey to represent the organization on the Rhododendron Festival committee. The appointment was made at the request of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

Asheville Citizen May 24, 1929

CLUB TO CONFER ON MARKET PLAN

System Described As Mutual Benefit To Communities

Plans for the cooperation of the Leicester Community Life Club with the West Asheville Club in bringing about the proposed curb market system for West Asheville which has been described as a mutual benefit for both communities, are underway, President L. E. Allman, of the former club, has announced.

Mr. Allman in referring to the matter at a joint meeting of the two clubs Wednesday night stated that the citizens of Leicester and interested members of their organization would confer on the plan, and would offer all assistance possible in making it a success, should it prove practical.

Leicester and vicinity, it has been pointed out, would be the most important source of supply for produce for a curb market, while there are several other prosperous farming and truck growing sections in close proximity to West Asheville, which, it is believed, would produce an adequate supply of produce.

The principal purpose of such a market, supporters of the movement have stated, is to keep at home money which is being spent by local merchants for produce out of South Carolina, Baltimore and other sources of import supply, by furnishing the farmers and produce growers with a dependable and profitable local market, paying them money for their produce, the greater part of which is returned to merchants, or deposited in local banks.

W. S. McRary is chairman of the West Asheville Club committee on the market plan. After a thorough discussion and study, the curb market systems of various cities will be studied, and all practical methods of operating applied to the West Asheville market.

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Mayor Opens Poppy Sale

Mayor Gallatin Roberts has purchased the first poppy of the Poppy Day sale for the benefit of the work of the American Legion auxiliary which begins this morning in Asheville. Mrs. L. B. Dorian, of the auxiliary, made the sale. Practically every one in Asheville today will be asked to follow the example which has been set by the Mayor in helping along the work for the boys at Oteen hospital.

CIRCLE DIRECTS BABY SHOW PLAN

Tiny West Asheville Folks To Compete For Honors

Under the auspices of Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society, a baby show for all little West Asheville boys and girls, whose ages range from 3 months to 3 years of age, will be held at the West Asheville Methodist church next Friday afternoon from 1 to 6 o'clock.

All West Asheville babies meeting with the age requirements of the contest are eligible for entry, and all youthful contestants will be judged on physical merits, rather than dress or beauty. Consequently, the boys have an equal chance with the girls as far as clothes and good looks go. Trained nurses will examine all babies and souvenirs will be given to all babies entering the show.

In addition several cash prizes will be awarded as follows: Belle Bennett Missionary Society, $5.00 as first prize; the Bank of West Asheville, $2.50 as second prize; and three prizes of $1.00 each for the three next prize winning youngsters.

Concerns assisting in the show are the West Asheville Pharmacy, Barker's Department store, Teague's grocery store, Bryant's Drug Store, Shelder-Brookshire Pharmacy, and Howard's studio. The studio will award three photographs to the baby winning first prize, and one each to the other prize winning babies.

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1929 Graduates---Aycock Night School

In connection with the adult school graduation exercises held at the county courthouse last night, fifteen West Asheville men and women, composing the Class of '29, Aycock night school, were awarded certificates of graduation by Dr. L. E. Alderman, of Washington, D. C., national director of adult education, who is visiting here. President C. F. Jenkins, who completed his course last year, received a continuation certificate. Eleven members of the class are shown above with their teacher, Miss Vonnie Whitaker. Three students were absent when the picture was taken. Reading from left to right: J. H. Swaney, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Cora Davis, S. T. Griffith, Mrs. Jensen, George Merrell, Miss Whitaker, Charlie Reid, Marguerite Hurd, Mr. Jensen, Mr. Robinson, and President Jenkins.

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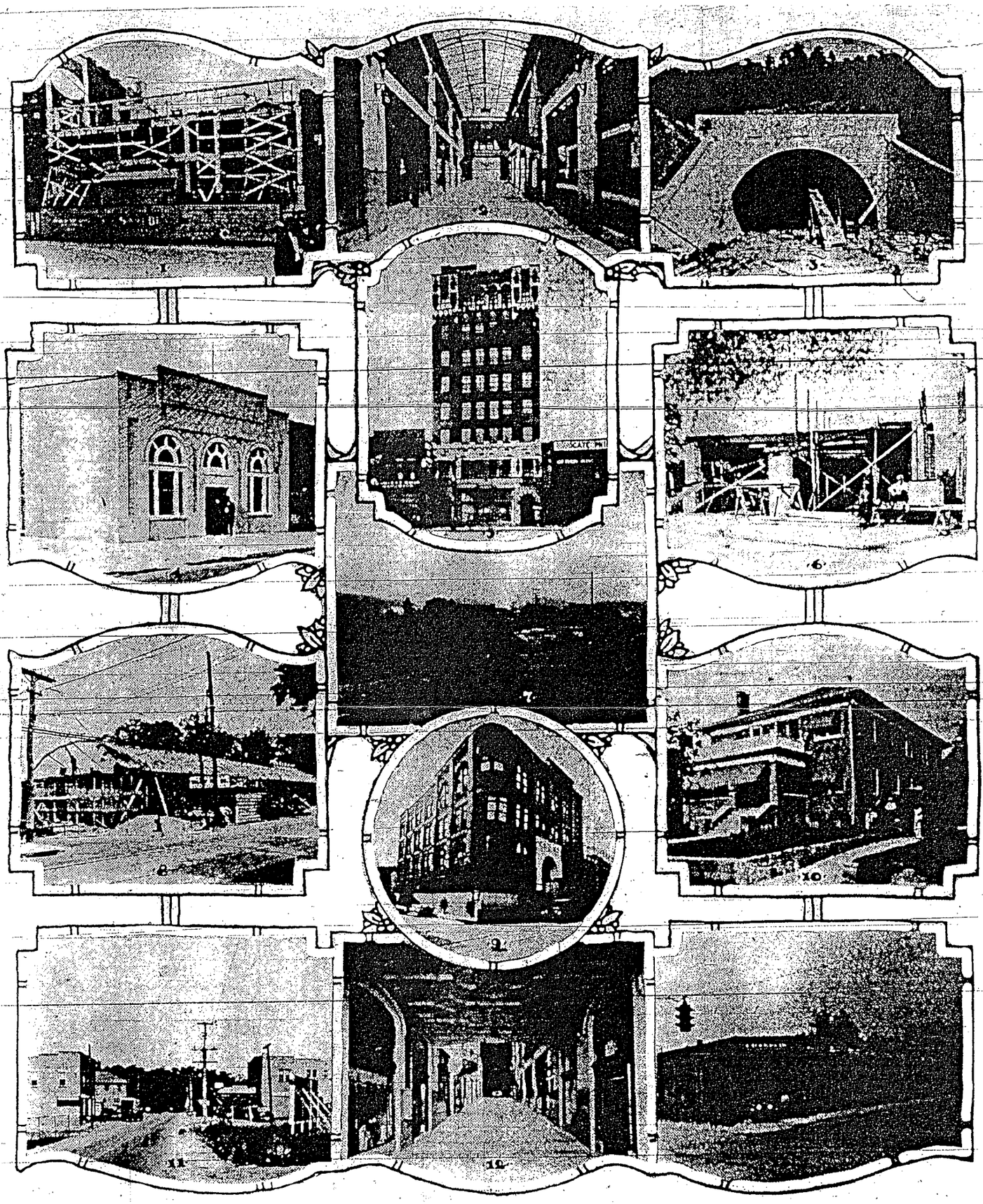
"DEDICATED TO THE UPBUILDING OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA"

ASHEVILLE, N. C., SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 26, 1929

Valuable Evidence Of Present Progress In Asheville



A survey yesterday by The Asheville Citizen revealed the fact that there are now opening and will soon open in Asheville structures totaling an expenditure of $13,002,000. A few of these are shown above and are as follows:

1—The S. and W. Cafeteria. 2—The north lobby of the Grove Arcade building. 3—Beaucatcher tunnel. 4—West Asheville postoffice building. 5—Public Service building of the Coxe estate. 6—Bledsoe office building, West Asheville. 7—The American Enka plant. 8—The Bailey Tire Company building. 9—The new home of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company. 10—The C. W. Teague apartment house, West Asheville. 11—Left, Enka cafe and Enka drug store, right, Bailey Tire Company at Enka. 12—The Enka Supply Company. 13—South lobby of the Grove Arcade building; and 13—The Franklin Sales and service garage.

Staff Photos By Michael

Night School Census Movement Launched

Aided by the faculty of the Aycock night school which closed the 1928-29 session last Friday night, and President C. F. Jenkins, of the graduating class, a census of people living in West Asheville who cannot read or write will be taken, it has been announced. Cards have been distributed to workers by Mr. Jenkins, and the plan is for them to enlist the interest of their friends in the coming session which is to open next fall.

The annual "Write Your Name" campaign will begin soon, and will be conducted under the auspices of the city night school workers. Those assisting Mr. Jenkins are night school students at Aycock.

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NEWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE
Citizen Bureau, 729½ Haywood Road
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Finish Improvements At W. Asheville Parks

Extensive Development Planned By City Of Ryerson Tract

With the installation of several scores of benches, swings, children's slides, sand pits, and other amusement devices by the city in the Horney Heights and Ryerson parks in the western section of Asheville, the city park commission plans to give to the residents of West Asheville two of the major units of the city park system. E. C. Greene, chairman of the park commission announced last night.

City forces last week completed the installation of the devices in the two parks. A large pavilion has been erected in the Horney Heights park which will provide that community with excellent picnic and outing facilities. The walkways have been placed in first class shape and several scores of everblooming plants have been set out in the Horney Heights park.

Tables with benches have been placed about the two park tracts in anticipation of a large season at the two amusement centers. Park officials stated they planned no immediate installation of devices similar to the merry go round and ferris wheel in the near future.

The Ryerson park, containing 114 acres, abounds in natural beauty Hundreds of large shade trees are situated about the tract. Several hundred yards of the park faces on the river which gives patrons of the park the opportunity to stage outings along the banks of the stream.

The park officials plan to install a swimming pool similar to the Aston Park pool at the Ryerson park during the next season.

One of the most unique features of the Ryerson park which will be worked out during the next few years will be the planting of practically every known Western North Carolina shrub and flower at the park.

Tentative plans call for several experimental tests of the soil to be made to determine the species of flower or shrub which will be best adapted to certain sections of the park. When completed the park will be one of the most beautiful centers in this section, officials declare.

CITIZEN STATION TO FEATURE WEST ASHEVILLE GROUP

The semi-monthly "half-hour" musical broadcast program of the Blanchard Junior Music club of West Asheville, will be given from the auditorium studio at Station WWNC this afternoon from 5 until 5:30 o'clock.

The programs of the West Asheville group have been a regular feature of the "Voice of The Citizen" station for several months, and have been widely commended. Programs are varied and consist of mixed vocal and instrumental numbers. Mrs. A. X. Blanchard is the organizer and one of the chief sponsors of the club.

Asheville Citizen June 14, 1929

POOL ROOMS ARE ORDERED CLOSED

City Notice Complied With By Owners In West Asheville

In compliance with an order issued by the city commissioners to that effect, all operators of pool rooms and billiard parlors in West Asheville have closed their establishments, pending a lawful permit to reopen them, it was announced yesterday.

The recently proposed establishment of a third pool room district in the section of Haywood road between Michigan Avenue and Oakwood Road which was provided for in city ordinance No. 110, has met with virorous and organized opposition almost in every section of West Asheville, it was said, and recently a delegation of close to 100 prominent citizens appeared before the commissioners and expressed a very unfavorable attitude toward any movement which would allow pool rooms to be operated in that section. Several ministers were included in the delegation, and the commissioners promised the opposition that their request would be given serious consideration before the passage of the proposed ordinance.

Several pool rooms had opened in West Asheville without a law right C. H. Bartlett commissioner of public safety stated yesterday and since such operation was in violation of the city law, all were ordered closed, the owners complying with the order without any unpleasantness, it was said. Mr. Bartlett stated yesterday that he was unaware that pool rooms were in operation in the section in question until Monday, and that when the commissioners learned of this, the order to close was issued.

The opposition to the proposed establishment of the third zone is so strong that it is considered probable that the ordinance will meet with unfavorable consideration when it comes before the commissioners for action.

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LIBRARY REPORT IS INTERESTING

Many West Asheville High Students Are Regular Patrons

From September 3, 1928, to April 3 of this year, a total number of 16,613 visits from students at Hall Fletcher junior high school, West Asheville, to the school library were recorded, according to the final report for the term made by Miss Nanney Stallings official librarian. During the same period, 2,934 books were checked out of the shelves for home use, while many students used the various magazines and other publications in the library for school work and recreation.

The library is located on the third floor of the building and is well equipped. During the school term, hours are from 8:30 o'clock in the morning until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and during the vacation period the library is closed. The room is large and spacious with a seating capacity of 42, and is well lighted and ventilated.

Two unabridged dictionaries and five sets of encyclopedias are included in the books, and are never checked out for home use since their almost constant use at school makes this impossible. The encyclopedias are "World Book," "Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia," "Book of Knowledge," "The New International," and "The Americana." The dictionaries are "The New International."

The report also shows that several students who are interested in library work have been used as assistants and given valuable instructions, while on days when there was no chapel, the library was used during that period to instruct classes in the "The Use of Books and the Library."

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NEWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE

Citizen Bureau, 729½ Haywood Road
Telephone 1602

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WEST ASHEVILLE SERVICE ROUTED

Direction Of Dispatch And Receipt Of Mail Schedule Given

The following schedule for the dispatch and receipt of mails for the West Asheville post office, effective July 1, was announced yesterday by Postmaster Dan W. Hill as follows:

Dispatch, daily except Sunday and holidays: Train No. 22, Salisbury, Richmond, Washington, New York, Boston and points North and East, mails close at 6:45 o'clock, a. m.; Train No. 28, Atlanta, Columbia, Jacksonville, Savannah, and points South, but not for points between Asheville and Spartanburg, S. C., mails close at 6:45 o'clock, a. m.; Train No. 11, Knoxville, Cincinnati, Chicago, Louisville, Birmingham, New Orleans, and all Western points, mails close at 12:20 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 12, East and North, same as Train No. 22, mails close at 12:20 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 19, Canton, Waynesville, Bryson City and Murphy, mails close at 12:20 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 10, Atlanta, Columbia, Jacksonville, Savannah, and points south, mails close at 2:20 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 16, East and North, same as Train No. 22, but does not carry registered mail or mail for points between Asheville and Salisbury, mails close at 2:20 o'clock p. m.; Train No. 36, East and North, same as Train No. 22, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 27, Western points same as Train No. 11, and Georgia, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 2, South, same as Train No. 10, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 101 West, same as Train No. 11, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m.; Train oN. 17, Murphy division, same as Train No. 19, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m. Mails for dispatch on Sunday and holidays close at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Recipt Of Mail

Recipt of mails: Daily except Sunday and holidays, Train No. 35, Salisbury, Richmond, Washington, New York, Boston and points East and North, mails received usually distributed by 8 o'clock a. m.; Train No. 18, Canton, Waynesville, Bryson City and Murphy, mails received usually distributed by 8 o'clock a. m.; Train No. 21, East, and North, same as Train No. 35, mails received usually distributed by 8 o'clock a. m.; Train No. 27, Atlanta, Columbia, Jacksonville, Savannah and all points south, mails received usually distributed by 8 o'clock a. m.; Train No. 102, Knoxville, Cincinnati, Chicago, Louisville, Birmingham, New Orleans, and all western points, mails received usually distributed by 1:15 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 15, East and North, same as Train No. 35, mails received usually distributed by 1:15 o'clock p. m.; Train No. 1, South same as Train No. 27, mails received usually distributed by 1:15 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 20, Murphy division same as Train No. 18, mails received usually distributed by 1.15 o'clock p. m.; Train No. 28, West, same as Train, No. 102, mails received usually distributed by 3:30 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 9, South, same as Train No. 1 and Train No. 27, mails received usually distributed by 3:30 o'clock p. m.; Train No. 11, East and North, same as Train No. 35, mails received usually distributed by 3:30 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 12, same as Train No. 102, mails received usually distributed by 3:30 o'clock, p. m.

All Sunday and holiday dispatches are made from 2 o'clock until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Mail dispatched to Train No. 10, South, connects with the New York-Atlanta-Miami air mail route at Spartanburg, S. C.

West Asheville Bridge And Market Discussed

Charles Neal And Miss Adna Edwards Speak At Civic Meeting

An address by Charles H. Neal, Asheville civil engineer, on a proposed new steel high bridge connecting Asheville and West Asheville to be financed by a joint issue of city and county bonds aggregating one and a half million dollars, and an explanation of the establishment and operation of a curb market system for West Asheville by Miss Adna Edwards, Buncombe county home demonstration agent, featured an interesting meeting of the West Asheville Club held at Hall Fletcher high school last night.

A. L. Duckett, vice president of the club, and chief of the Asheville fire department, presided in the absence of President H. B. Posey, and Miss Edwards was the first speaker.

The home demonstration agent who has been directly connected with several open air markets in various sections of the state, and who recently organized a system in Asheville, discussed the West Asheville plan in detail, and gave suggestions for organization and profitable operation. A stable price for all who sell at the market so as to avoid unfair competition, location, the organizing of a group of regular producers in adjoining rural sections, and the adoption of a satisfactory cash and carry plan, were outlined by Miss Edwards as being essential. She also suggested various plans for covering expenses which included a table and scale charge system, and a commission plan, the market committee deducting a stated amount from all sales to be applied to the operation expenses.

Popularity

The country wide popularity of such markets was mentioned by the agent with special reference to those in operation in Baltimore, Washington, Knoxville, Spartanburg, Goldsboro, Salisbury and Hendersonville. All of approximately 70 agents in North Carolina are supporting outdoor markets, Miss Edwards stated, all of which are being profitably operated.

The Mecklenburg county market which did a cash business of $200,000 in 1928, operating six days per week, was opened with a series of Saturday afternoon cake sales held at the county courthouse, and has since grown to the extent that a large market house with outside stalls is required to house the business, she stated. This market averaged $600 in receipts each day last year, during which time one lady sold $800 worth of cakes baked at home.

Bruce Emory Research

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 1929

West Asheville Clubs To Sponser Beauty Contest

Voting will begin this morning in the Rhododendron Festival beauty contest which is being sponsored jointly by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club.

The names of twenty West Asheville girls have been selected as candidates by the float comittees of the two clubs which are headed by Mrs. J. S. Handte and C. F. Byerly, and the three girls receiving the most votes are to ride on the float to be entered in the festival by the organizations.

Only high school and college girls were considered by the committees in making their selections and the following girls have been chosen: Margaret Byerly, Beverly June Pruett, Sarah Orr, Gillian Jones, Jessie Holcombe, Ruth Penland, Dorothe Ebbs, Helen Miller, Marion Kahn, Lois Ebbs, Maybelle Chandler, Evelyn Maney, Cordelia Dunn, Margaret Spivey, Evelyn Pumford, Mary Westall, Virginia Sherrell, Anna Felmster, Mary Weatherly, and Claire DeLoach.

Ballot boxes will be placed in all the West Asheville drug stores, and will be supplied with envelopes. Votes are to cost one cent each, and the plan is to write the name of the girl voted for on the outside of the envelope, insert the coin, and seal it. All votes are to be placed in the ballot boxes and will be checked each night until the contest closes.

Plans for participation in the festival have been discussed at recent meetings of both clubs and at the last meeting of the West Asheville Club plans for both organizations to sponsor a joint float, were announced

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WEST ASHEVILLE BUREAUS TO OPEN

Information System To Consist Of Three Offices

Plans for the opening within one week of the system of information bureau offices sponsored by the West Asheville Club, were announced yesterday. Signs and other features of the three offices which are to be located on Haywood road, are being worked on, and if possible, the bureaus will be functioning within a week, it was said.

Due to the arrival of the tourist season, placing an unusually heavy traffic on Haywood road which is a section of State Highway No. 10, the offices must be opened soon if they are to serve their purpose this season, it has been pointed out.

Directors of the offices and locations have been named as follows: No. 1, 440 Haywood road, Bert Starnes; No. 2, 747 Haywood road, John May; No. 3, 1214 Haywood road, Frank J. Austin.

The signs will bear the information that the office is sponsored by the West Asheville Club and is operated for the convenience of tourists, visitors and others seeking information about West Asheville, and will be worded on both sides.

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MANY VOTES ARE CAST YESTERDAY

Rhododendron Festival Contest Opens In W. Asheville

A check up on the votes last night which were cast yesterday on the opening day of the beauty contest which is being conducted by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club, indicated that the contest is going to be one of the most interesting ever held here, workers stated, and that before the winners are announced thousands of votes will be cast.

A list of twenty West Asheville girls, three of whom will be selected by popular vote to ride on the float which is to be entered in the Rhododendron festival parade by the two clubs. The votes are to be checked each night, and voting will continue for about one week.

C. F. Byerly is chairman of the West Asheville Club float committee. Members of the Community Club committee are: Mrs. J. S. Randle chairman; Mrs. Carl C. Hauk, Mrs J. G. Anderson, Mrs. Raymond H. Officer, and Mrs. R. B. Truett.

At the request of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce R. E. Currence has been appointed to represent the West Asheville Club on the festival committee.

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FLOWER EXHIBIT PLAN ANNOUNCED

West Asheville Show Is Slated For Vance School Soon

Plans for holding the annual flower show at Vance school, West Asheville, some time this summer instead of next autumn, have been announced by Mrs. Wilbur Morris, president of the Vance Parent-Teacher asociation, sponsors of the event.

Mrs. Robert Russell of 79 Louisiana avenue, has been appointed general chairman of the event which will be featured by special classes for children and gardeners.

Various prizes will be given in the several classes, and the award list is growing daily, and a general invitation has been extended to women of rural communities to participate in the show, and to enter flower exhibits for competition.

Although held two weeks after announcement was made the 1928 show was very successful, and was outstanding for the number and quality of exhibits. Due to additional preparations and plans the 1929 show is expected to be far more successful.

The date has not been announced but will be decided on soon, those connected with the show have announced.

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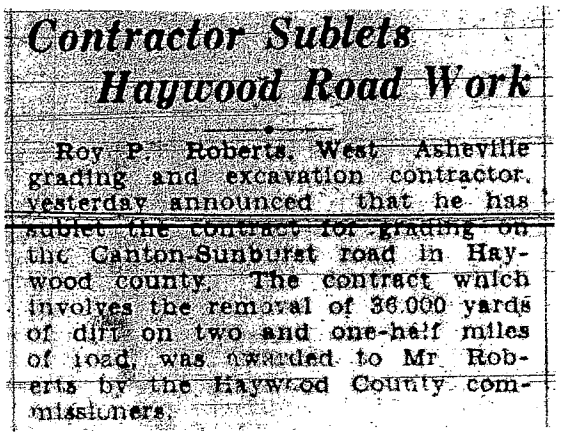

Contractor Sublets Haywood Road Work

Roy P. Roberts, West Asheville grading and excavation contractor, yesterday announced that he has sublet the contract for grading on the Canton-Sunburst road in Haywood county. The contract which involves the removal of 36,000 yards of dirt on two and one-half miles of road, was awarded to Mr Roberts by the Haywood County commissioners.

Asheville Citizen May 31, 1929

CHURCH CIRCLE SPONSORS SHOW

Health Crusade Event Attracts Many Tiny Contestants

Sponsored by Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society, of the West Asheville Methodist church, a Health Crusade Better Babies Show was held at the church from 1 to 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Despite the inclement weather, close to 40 tiny citizens of the community, ranging from three months to three years of age, were present for competition, and with so many fine youngsters entered, those who are to decide on the winners, found themselves confronted with a difficult and complicated task at the conclusion of the event.

All contestants will be judged on physical merits alone, the contestants not deeming personal attire and beauty worthy of serious consideration in such a contest. All data and notes on the youngsters taken by nurses, have been turned over to a physician for examination, and the prize winners will be anounced next week. Mrs. Leslie Huested and Mrs. Frank Ewers were in charge of examinations.

Concerns assisting in the show include Wachtel's, of Asheville, the West Asheville Pharmacy, Barker's department store, Teague's grocery store, Bryant's drug store, Shelder-Brookshire Pharmacy, and Howard's Studio.

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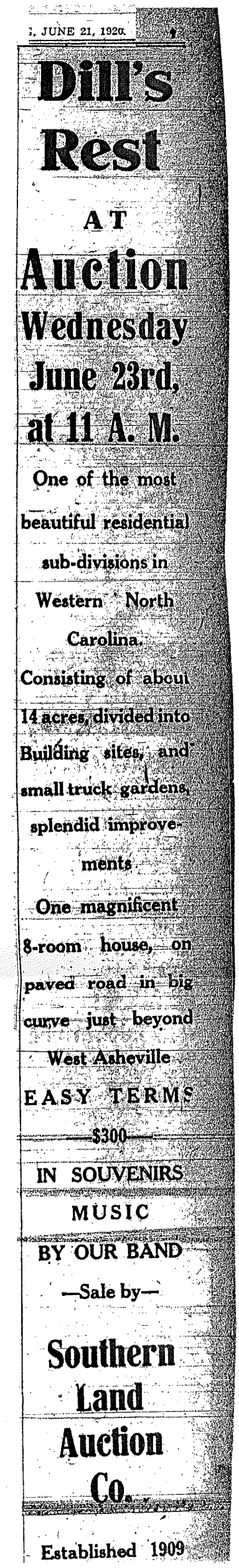
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LEICESTER TO CONSIDER PLAN

West Asheville Curb Market System Is Yet Pending

With action in the proposed curb market system for West Asheville dependent more or less on outlying rural communities, the market is expected to be one of the most important subjects for discussion at the regular meeting of the Leicester Community Life Club to be held at Leicester high school next Wednesday evening, it was announced yesterday.

The arrangements for the system have been placed in charge of selected committeemen, and the market has been discussed from various angles at meetings of the West Asheville Club and the Leicester organization. At the last meeting of the Leicester Club President L. E. Allman suggested that members and other interested citizens consider the proposition until anothr meeting at which time action in some form would be taken.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 1929

LOCAL GIRL IS HIGHLY HONORED

Excellent Record Made At Mars Hill By Madeline May

Miss Madeline May of 197 Brucemont Circle has returned to her home in West Asheville after graduating from Mars Hill College where she made an enviable record in scholastic and literary circles during her school years. Miss May was signally honored by her class mates by being elected the president of the senior class.

The Asheville girl has captured numerous honors in several intercollegiate debates and maintained an "A" grade in all her studies while at the Baptist institution. She plans to enter Meredith College at Raleigh where she will be an applicant for a B. A. degree. She studied associate arts while at the Madison county school.

In addition to being the president of the 1929 senior class Miss May also earned the following honors:

Intercollegiate debater, 1927, 1928 1929; vice president and secretary of non pareil literary society; secretary, Scriblerls Club, 1928-29; secretary of her freshman class; anniversary Marshall, 1929; commencement Marshall 1927; associate editor college annual, 1928; associate editor college newspaper, 1927; officer in Sunday school association, 1928-29; officer in B. Y. P. U. society, 1927-28-29; officer in Buncombe county club, member Y. W. A. council; and officer in International Relations Club.

Earns Honors

Miss Madeline May, of 197 Brucemont Circle, West Asheville, who captured many honors at Mars Hill College during her course there. Her scholastic years were crowned by her election as president of the senior class.

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Auxiliary Of Fire Department To Meet

The Women's Auxiliary of the West Asheville fire department will meet at the home of Mrs. Hubert Hayes, Hudson street, West Asheville, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. T. W. Haynes is president of the auxiliary.

Asheville Citizen June 2, 1929

BEAUTY CONTEST TO END JUNE 13

West Asheville Girls To Participate In The Festival Parade

The Rhododendron Festival beauty contest which is being sponsored jointly by the West Asheville Community Club and the West Asheville Club, will close Thursday night, June 13, at 9 o'clock, members of the committee in charge of the event, stated yesterday.

The contest is being conducted on a popular vote plan, and will determine which three of a selected group of West Asheville girls, are to ride on the float to be entered in the Rhododendron festival parade by the two organizations. Boxes have been placed in all West Asheville drug stores and are supplied with envelops and a list of the contestants. The plan is to insert one cent for each vote cast in the envelope, seal it and write the name of the girl voted for on the outside.

Mrs. J. S. Handte is chairman of the Community Club committee, and C. F. Byerly heads the West Asheville Club group. The votes to date will be checked and counted today, and announcements made of the standing of all contestants.

The contest will be closed June 13 so as to allow the selected girls time to prepare for the event, and to enable the two clubs to arrange the float without being rushed, it has announced.

Asheville Citizen June 4, 1929

Players Lease West Asheville Theater

The Blue Ridge Players, of Asheville, have announced the leasing of the West Asheville Theater building on Haywood road, where they will stage various productions. J. R. Herron, president of the company, has stated that feature length productions will be shown until September at which time feature length plays, differing from the present run, will be placed on the program for regular presentation on every Friday evening throughout the winter months.

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WEST ASHEVILLE MAN'S SON TO GO ON LONG CRUISE

Horace P. Parker, Jr., son of Dr. H. P. Parker, of 95 Vermont avenue, West Asheville, will sail from San Francisco, California, within a few days for a lengthy cruise of two and one-half years, according to news reaching friends here. Mr. Parker, who has just completed his work at the U. S. Submarine Training school at New London, Conn., has served four years in the U. S. Navy.

He was married to Miss Elinor Roberts, of Ilion, N. Y., at Vallejo, Calif., May 19, Caplain Day of the U. S. S. Chaumont, performing the ceremony in the Methodist church.

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CIVIC CLUB HAS FINAL MEETING

Mrs. Ebbs Honors West Asheville Women At Home Yesterday

The last meeting of the West Asheville Community Club for the 1928-29 fiscal year was held at the home of Mrs. C. J. Ebbs, 62 Westwood place, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the president, Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, presiding.

Associate hostesses with Mrs. Ebbs were Mrs. C. A. Hawkins, Mrs. M L. Maney, and Miss Sarah Jones, and in addition to the routine business session a musical program was given.

Mrs. R. W. Farr sang a group of solos with piano acompaniment by Raymond H. Officer, and Miss Maybelle Candler and Miss Nelly Gray gave several readings. Miss Gray is attending college and is well known to members of the club, who have shown much interest in her. She is an accomplished violinist, and is deeply interested in all forms of music.

Miss McKenzie, prominent Knoxville welfare worker, was present, and gave an interesting talk, which was one of the most enjoyable and helpful features of the program.

The business program consisted chiefly of discussions of plans for participation of the organization in the Rhododendron festival, work for the ensuing fiscal year, and publication of the next edition of the year book. The meeting was largely attended, and was one of the most interesting held in some time, it was said.

This ended all meetings of the club and departments until the new fiscal year begins early this autumn. Final meetings of the music and literary departments were held in May.

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WEST ASHEVILLE JUNIORS TO FORM ORCHESTRA SOON

The West Asheville Junior orchestra will be organized and instructive classes formed at a meeting and rehearsal to be held at the Wilder Music Studio on Haywood road, Tuesday afternoon, June 11, at 3:30 o'clock, it was announced yesterday. Classes and the benefits of the orchestra will be open to all boys and girls, who are playing an orchestra instrument, and beginners are eligible to special instructive classes which will prepare them for active participation.

Rehearsals and classes will be held twice each week on Tuesday and Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. All members must have their own instruments. Instruction will include musical ear training, sight reading and musical theory. Friday afternoons will be given entirely to orchestra practice and the preparation of programs for concerts to be given during the summer months.

With the benefits of the Blanchard Junior Music Club and training in school orchestras available, the new organization will provide West Asheville's young musicians with an enlarged opportunity to train themselves in instrumental and other forms of music.

Asheville Citizen June 7, 1929

CONTEST VOTES BEING CHECKED

West Asheville Civic Event To Close Next Thursday

Checking of all votes cast prior to yesterday in the Rhododendron festival float contest which is being conducted jointly by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club, is now underway, committee officials of the two clubs stated yesterday. The contest will close Thursday June 13, and the votes will be checked at intervals until that time when the final standing of all contestants will be announced.

The purpose of the contest is to elect from a group of twenty West Asheville girls three who are to ride on the float to be entered in the Rhododendron festival parade by the two clubs. Mrs. J. S. Handle is chairman of the Community Club committee, and C. F. Byerly heads the committee of the West Asheville Club.

Boxes have been placed in all the West Asheville drug stores for votes, each box being supplied with envelopes and a list of the contestants. The plan is to place one cent for each vote cast in the envelope, seal it, and write the name of the girl voted for on the outside. All contestants were selected by the club committees, and include only high school and college girls of West Asheville.

The girls will be the guests of the Community Club at a party to be given at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Anderson, 1155 Haywood road, some time before the contest closes. It has been announced. The club will announce the date later.

Asheville Citizen June 7, 1929

Inanda Baptists Join In Benefit Lawn Party

A benefit lawn party sponsored by the congregation of the Inanda Baptist church, Brevard road, West Asheville, was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bates on Brevard road last evening. The proceeds were given to a fund which will be used to paint the church. Other improvements for the building are also planned by the congregation. The party was largely attended.

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CONTEST VOTES ARE TABULATED

Miss Margaret Byerly Holds First Place In Competition

A tabulation of all votes cast previously to Thursday in the Rhododendron festival float contest which is being conducted in West Asheville by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club, places Miss Margaret Byerly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Byerly in the lead, it was announced last night. The total number of votes cast and the number received to date by each of the 20 contestants was not announced.

Other leading contestants as shown by the check up are as follows: Miss Claire DeLoach, second place; Miss Marion Kahn, third place; Miss Mary Westall, fourth place, and Miss Evelyn Pumford, fifth place.

The contest will close next Thursday night at 9 o'clock when a final tabulation of votes will be made, and the names of the three leading contestants announced. The purpose of the competition is to select from a group of twenty West Asheville high school and college girls three who are to ride on the float to be entered in the festival parade by the civic organizations.

Ballot boxes have been placed in all the West Asheville drug stores, and hundreds of votes have been cast.

The twenty girls will be the guests of the Community Club at a party to be given sometime before the contest closes, it has been announced.

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Hall Fletcher Pupils Receive Prize Awards

Winners of three cash prizes awarded by the Hall Fletcher Parent-Teacher association in connection with a manual training exhibition, held at the school Thursday, were announced yesterday. The prizes were awarded during the morning chapel program by Mrs. W. A. Bell, president of the association, as follows: Lawrence Plemmons, first prize, $1.25; James Williams, second prize, 75 cents, and Franklin Fishburn, third prize, 50 cents.

Judges were Mrs. C. A. Hawkins, Mrs. J. M. Baley, and Mr. Simpson, the latter being a member of the faculty.

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FINALS HELD AT ST. JOAN OF ARC

Father Lawrence Makes Graduation Talk At The School

Father Lawrence of Belmont Abbey, Belmont, N. C., delivered the annual commencement address at the graduation exercises at St. Joan of Arc school, West Asheville yesterday afternoon. His subject was "Christian Education."

The salutatory was delivered by J. Randolph. Music was provided by the school chorus.

The program included a "French Lesson" and a play entitled "St. Joan of Arc's Mission." Those who took parts in the French lesson were L. Jones, G. Schaufhausen, G. Fears, J. Leblanc, and M. Mulvaney.

The cast for the play included C. Wamsley, K. Zimmerman, E. Harte, M. Arthur, L. Harte, and a group playing as village maidens and gypsies.

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The West Asheville Post Office Equipment Is Ordered

Installation of equipment for the new West Asheville post office is scheduled to begin about June 15, according to an announcement by officials of the firm of J. T. Bledsoe and Company, of Asheville, constructors of the building. The fixtures which cost $5,300, were ordered June 7 by the constructors and will be installed by them.

Completion of the building which cost approximately $15,300 including equipment, was scheduled for June 15. However, the work was rushed, and completed several days prior to that date. Formal opening will be held Sunday, June 30, and the post office will begin doing business on the following morning, Monday, July 1. The post office department has leased the building for a period of ten years.

All equipment will be modern in every detail of design and construction, and will include special lock combination mail boxes for patrons, it has been announced.

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TWO FINE STUDENTS

Elizabeth and J. D. Howell, Jr., children of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Howell of West Asheville, have made a splendid school record. Neither has been absent or tardy since beginning studies at the kindergarten. Elizabeth has just completed the fifth grade at Vance School and is just as attentive at Bon Grove Methodist Sunday school. She is also a talented pianist and has played for WNC, The Citizen's radio station. Her music teacher is Mrs. Thomas Allen Curry. J. D. has just finished Grade 4-A at Vance School and made an excellent record. He is a great admirer of Tom Mix and when he isn't studying he is practicing with his bean-shooter.

—Staff Photo by Michael.

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WINNERS IN BABY SHOW ANNOUNCED

Edward Exner Denison Takes First Place In Competition

Prize winners in the West Asheville Better Babies Show which was held at the West Asheville Methodist church Friday afternoon, May 31, were announced yesterday, following checking of all data and papers by Dr. J. La Bruce Ward, Asheville physician.

Five prize winners were selected from approximately 40 tiny folks who entered the competition, and awards will be made as follows:

First prize, Edward Exner Denison, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Denison, of 52 Clinton street, first prize of $5.00 given by the Belle Bennett Missionary Society of the church; second prize, Imogene Holcombe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Holcombe, of Johnson Boulevard, $2.50 given by the Bank of West Asheville; third prize, Robert Starnes Ehle, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ehle, 19 Yanvale avenue, $1.00; Marilyn Jenkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan H. Jenkins, 415 Riverview Drive, $1.00; and Mary Lou Elmore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Elmore, of 64 Virginia avenue, $1.00. The last three prizes were awarded by Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Society, who sponsored the event.

In addition to first prize, young Mr. Denison will be awarded three personal photographs by Howard's Studio, of Asheville. The studio will also award one photograph each to the other prize winning youngsters.

Mrs .Frank Ewers was nurse in charge of the contest, and her competent services were invaluable in obtaining and checking data on the babies. The show was held in connection with a Health Crusade, and entrants were judged on physical merits and health qualities alone.

Firms assisting in the event were Wachtel's, Asheville, the Bank of West Asheville, Roberts Grocery Store Shieder-Brookshire Pharmacy, Howard's Studio, Teague's grocery store, Barker's department store, West Asheville Pharmacy, and Bryan's Pharmacy.

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FOUR HUNTERS GET 122 FROG LEGS ON NIGHT EXPEDITION

On a Thursday night expedition along the shores of Lake Summit last week, a West Asheville frog hunter, assisted by three Asheville hunters, slew a total of 61 bull frogs, securing for future feasting 122 frog legs. Old timers say that bull frogs like all other frogs from the horned toad on down have a quartet of pedal extremities, but only the rear ones are good for consumption.

The hunters were R. T. Smathers, of the Smathers Coal company, West Asheville; E. B. Birmingham, assistant yardmaster of the Southern Railway; W. F. Caldwell and D. F. Misenheimer, of Asheville. The men used a boat, searchlight and spear on their trip and since it was an ideal night for frog hunting, only a few hours were consumed in securing the huge collection of legs.

Frog legs when properly prepared are very toothsome and delicious, many old timers and out of doors men say.

Asheville Citizen June 9, 1929

MANY STUDENTS HAVE RETURNED

West Asheville Girls And Boys To Spend Vacations Here

Following the completion of the annual commencement exercises at the various schools, universities and colleges, many West Asheville boys and girls are returning home for the summer vacation period.

Those returning recently include Miss Merle Higgins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Higgins, 43 Michigan avenue, Duke University; James Baley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baley, 83 Beverly road, Mars Hill College; Miss Margaret Byerly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Byerly, 34 Pinallas street, North Carolina College for Women; William Logan, son of Mrs. W. E. Logan, 124 Logan avenue, Mars Hill College; Fred Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Brown, 100 Brevard road, University of Tennessee; George F. Baier, III, son of Dr. and Mrs. George F. Baier, Jr., 814 Haywood road, University of Alabama; William Osborne, son of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Osborne, 283 Woodland road, Oak Ridge Military Institute, Oak Ridge, N. C.; Miss Daisy Farr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Farr, 77 Vermont avenue, N. C. C. W.; Arthur Kiser, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Kiser, 135 Westwood place, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Miss Margaret Spivey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Spivey, 164 Brucemont Circle, Illinois State Normal, Bloomington, Ill., and several others.

Mr. Brown, whose father is secretary of the West Asheville Merchants association, left recently for Knoxville, where he will be connected with a large mercantile concern this summer. Mr. Baier, III, has returned to the University of Alabama where he will take a summer medical course, returning six weeks later.

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CONTEST TO END THURSDAY NIGHT

West Asheville Clubs Sponsor Event For Festival Float

The Rhododendron festival float contest which is being sponsored by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club will close next Thursday night at 9 o'clock, committee chairmen of the two organizations stated yesterday. No votes cast after that hour will be counted, and the polling boxes will be closed. Afterwards as soon as possible the votes will be tabulated and the winning contestants announced.

The purpose of the contest is to select three girls from a chosen group of 20 West Asheville high school and college girls, who will ride on the float to be entered by the two organizations in the Rhododendron festival parade.

The type of float to be entered has Miss Margaret Byerly first place, with Misses Claire De Loach, Marion Kahn, Mary Westall and Evelyn Pumford holding second, third, fourth and fifth places respectively.

The ype of float to be entered has not been divulged. However, it will be entered under the title "The Spirit of West Asheville," it has been announced.

Asheville Citizen June 9, 1929

ASHEVILLE, N. C., TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 1929

POOL ROOM LAW DRAWS PROTEST

Prominent Citizens Of West Asheville Ask Official's Aid

Vigorously denouncing the establishment of a pool room district in the West Asheville section and pleading with the city commissioners to rescind their recent action in allowing the extension of the pool rooms to their community, a large delegation of prominent West Asheville citizens yesterday appeared before the city commissioners protesting against the enactment of city ordinance Number 110 which would allow the operation of pool rooms on Haywood Road.

Several ministers were included in the West Asheville representative group. The city recently proposed the establishment of a third pool room district in that section between Michigan Avenue and Oakwood Road. The ordinance provided that the building which housed the pool-room must abut on Haywood Road

The commissioners promised the West Asheville residents that their request would be taken under consideration before the passage of the ordinance.

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New Concern Opens On Haywood Road

The Blue Bird Ice Cream Company operating out of Spartanburg, S. C., has opened an ice cream store on Haywood road, West Asheville, near the end of the carline. The local branch is equipped with modern and sanitary conveniences, including Frigidaire plant, and carries a complete line of fresh ice cream in various combinations and packages and bulk.

This is the seventh new concern to locate on Haywood road within the past few months.

Asheville Citizen June 12, 1929

WEST ASHEVILLE A & P ENLARGED

Store Located In New Robeson Structure On Haywood Road

One of the West Asheville stores of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company which was formerly located at 618 Haywood road, is now located in the New Robeson building, diagonally, across Haywood road from the old location, it was announced yesterday. The store is one of five which are operated in West Asheville, and opened for business at the new location yesterday morning.

The store, including all equipment and the entire stock was moved in the record time of less than three hours Monday night, after the day's business had been conducted in the usual manner, and the work included the arrangement of stock displays in the new store.

In the present location the store has been greatly enlarged, and has a more ideal location. The front with modern glass show windows, affords spacious and convenient display space, while the increased floor space provides for more counters and less crowding of stock. No change in personnel is contemplated for the store, at present, the superintendent of the Asheville district stated yesterday.

The Robeson building is located at the intersection of Dorchester avenue and Haywood road, and was recently completed at an approximate cost of $5,000. Mrs. Martha E. Robeson is owner.

The first A. and P. store was established in West Asheville six years ago the past March. There are now 21 stores in the city, including those in West Asheville.

Asheville Citizen June 12, 1929

To Open Three West Asheville Bureaus

Plans for opening three information bureaus on Haywood Road are practically completed, and the offices will be opened some time this week, it was announced yesterday. The system is being sponsored by the West Asheville club.

Asheville Citizen June 13, 1929

CITIZEN STATION TO FEATURE WEST ASHEVILLE GROUP

The semi-monthly "half-hour" musical broadcast program of the Blanchard Junior Music club of West Asheville, will be given from the auditorium studio at Station WWNC this afternoon from 5 until 5:30 o'clock.

The programs of the West Asheville group have been a regular feature of the "Voice of The Citizen" station for several months, and have been widely commended. Programs are varied and consist of mixed vocal and instrumental numbers. Mrs. A. X. Blanchard is the organizer and one of the chief sponsors of the club.

Asheville Citizen June 14, 1929

POOL ROOMS ARE ORDERED CLOSED

City Notice Complied With By Owners In West Asheville

In compliance with an order issued by the city commissioners to that effect, all operators of pool rooms and billiard parlors in West Asheville have closed their establishments, pending a lawful permit to reopen them, it was announced yesterday.

The recently proposed establishment of a third pool room district in the section of Haywood road between Michigan Avenue and Oakwood Road which was provided for in city ordinance No. 110, has met with virorous and organized opposition almost in every section of West Asheville, it was said, and recently a delegation of close to 100 prominent citizens appeared before the commissioners and expressed a very unfavorable attitude toward any movement which would allow pool rooms to be operated in that section. Several ministers were included in the delegation, and the commissioners promised the opposition that their request would be given serious consideration before the passage of the proposed ordinance.

Several pool rooms had opened in West Asheville without a law l right C. H. Bartlett commissioner of public safety stated yesterday and since such operation was in violation of the city law, all were ordered closed, the owners complying with the order without any unpleasantness, it was said. Mr. Bartlett stated yesterday that he was unaware that pool rooms were in operation in the section in question until Monday, and that when the commissioners learned of this, the order to close was issued.

The opposition to the proposed establishment of the third zone is so strong that it is considered probable that the ordinance will meet with unfavorable consideration when it comes before the commissioners for action.

Asheville Citizen June 14, 1929

West Asheville Club To Aid In Pool Zone Fight

Interesting Program Features Meeting Of Civic Club

In regular session at Hall Fletcher junior high school last night, the West Asheville Club went on official record as being strongly opposed to the operation of pool rooms in any section of West Asheville.

The adopted motion which received strong verbal support from several members prior to and followed the rising vote, also carried with it equally strong opposition against the enactment by the city commissioners of any ordinance which would legalize the operation of such establishments, and an adopted supplementary motion introduced by Hugh Sowers provided for the appointment of a committee composed of members of the club, for the purpose of discussing the matter with the city commissioners. However, after President H. B. Posey had stated that it would be best tofirst ascertain the sentiment of the city governing body before taking such action, the appointment of the committee was postponed.

The matter which was brought before the meeting early, was the subject of several interesting discussions, the majority of which were in favor of the attitude taken officially by the club.

In compliance with an order issued by the commissioners, all pool rooms on Haywood road have been closed by operators, C. H. Bartlett, commissioner of public safety stated yesterday. Several members of the club were said to have been members of a delegation composed of ministers and other prominent citizens who discussed the situation with the commissioners recently.

McClellan Speaks

The principal speaker of the evening was the Rev. Clarence Stuart McClellan, Jr. rector of Calvary Episcopal church, Fletcher. The rector who is widely known for his series of travel and inspirational talks which are broadcasted from Station WWNC, of the Asheville Citizen, spoke on "My Impressions of Palestine."

His impression taken from an extended tour of the ancient Mediterranean coast country which is now a colonial possession of the British government, were summed up briefly as follows:

"Palestine is a very small country, so small that all of it could be placed in Western North Carolina, between Asheville and Murphy railroad stations. Jerusalem is only one-half as large as Central Park in New York city, and in a single afternoon, practically everything of interest in the ancient city can be seen."

"In variety of climatic conditions it includes the torrid, frigid and temperate zones, and the ancient city of Jericho is the lowest and hottest point in the world, while towering 9,000 feet above, yet only a few miles away is Mt. Hermon which is covered with snow throughout the year."

The speaker also stated that other impressions he gained from his trip were that Palestine is a country of color, natural and nationally, a place where the ancient and the modern literally speaking, "rub shoulders," and "a d where the Bible lives in all its reality."

He also gave a description of the gradual advent into the country of American and European influences, and compared the introduction of modern method of conducting business and agriculture with the ancient methods practiced by the Israelites and others during the early period covered by Bible history.

Curb Market

The proposed curb market system also was taken up, and a motion that Miss Adna Edwards, home demonstration agent of Buncombe county, be invited to discuss the matter at the next meeting of the club was adopted. It was pointed out that Miss Edwards has expressed deep interest in the West Asheville market and has offered to lend any assistance possible.

The meeting began at 7 o'clock with luncheon which was served by members of Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star. H. Grady Reagan city tax collector and with his brother Ernest Reagan, entertained with a group of songs and string instrument selections.

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DR. GARDNER TO SERVE SENTENCE

Despite Petitions In Favor Of Defendant Judgment Stands

Advising Mayor Gallatin Roberts and Thomas S. Rollins that he used only one yard stick to mete out punishment to defendants facing him, Judge E. Yates Webb, in U. S. District court here yesterday ordered the marshall to take Dr. G. D. Gardner into custody to begin a year and a day sentence in Atlanta for violation of the narcotic laws. Mayor Roberts and Mr. Rollins presented a lengthy petition to the judge urging that the physician's sentence be suspended

The petition was signed by practically the entire membership of the Buncombe County Medical Association, the bar association and scores of prominent local citizens Dr. Gardner will leave here the latter part of this week for Atlanta in company with several other prisoners sentenced at this session of court.

J. P. Spann, patient at the Oteen hospital, was the heaviest sufferer at the hands of the court yesterday when he was sentenced to two years in Atlanta after being convicted on charges of selling liquor within the hospital wards at Oteen. Spann is alleged to be suffering from tuberculosis.

Ted Emerson and Grady Rhodes received slight reductions in their sentences. Emerson was formerly sentenced to serve one year and a day and had this reduced to seven months. Rhodes received a one day reduction. This was made to prevent him from being sent to Atlanta.

Asheville Citizen June 14, 1929

FIRST Y PROGRAM BEGINS TONIGHT

West Asheville Youths To Receive Swimming Pool Passes

The first program of the West Asheville branch organization of the Asheville Y. M. C. A. will begin tonight at a special meeting to be held at Calvary Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock with Director Guy Harwood in charge. The branch is known as the West Asheville Boy's Christian Citizenship Club and is being sponsored by Secretary Seth Perkinson and other local "Y" workers, with Mr. Harwood, who is 17 years of age, in direct charge.

Free passes to the Asheville "Y" swimming pool will be awarded all new members of the club tonight, and plans for the summer include a continual program of varied activities suited to the needs of the members whose ages range from 12 to 16 years of age.

The Rev. J. B. Grice, pastor of Calvary church, and other West Asheville citizens are assisting in the organization which was formed two weeks ago.

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RAILWAY GROUP PLANS MEETING

Employes To Gather In West Asheville At 8 O'Clock Tonight

The monthly meeting of the Asheville group, Benefit Association of Railway Employes, will be held at the Odd Fellows Hall on Hanover street, West Asheville, tonight at 8 o'clock, it was announced yesterday.

All members are urged by the officers to attend with their wives and lady friends, since a varied program for all has been arranged, including several prize contests for women.

Several prominent railway officials are expected to attend, and plans for the annual picnic to be held at the Recreation Park July 4, will be discussed.

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C., FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 1929.

West Asheville Bridge And Market Discussed

Charles Neal And Miss Adna Edwards Speak At Civic Meeting

An address by Charles H. Neal, Asheville civil engineer, on a proposed new steel high bridge connecting Asheville and West Asheville to be financed by a joint issue of city and county bonds aggregating one and a half million dollars, and an explanation of the establishment and operation of a curb market system for West Asheville by Miss Adna Edwards, Buncombe county home demonstration agent, featured an interesting meeting of the West Asheville Club held at Hall Fletcher high school last night.

A. L. Duckett, vice president of the club, and chief of the Asheville fire department, presided in the absence of President H. B. Posey, and Miss Edwards was the first speaker.

The home demonstration agent who has been directly connected with several open air markets in various sections of the state, and who recently organized a system in Asheville, discussed the West Asheville plan in detail, and gave suggestions for organization and profitable operation. A stable price for all who sell at the market so as to avoid unfair competition, location, the organizing of a group of regular producers in adjoining rural sections, and the adoption of a satisfactory cash and carry plan, were outlined by Miss Edwards as being essential. She also suggested various plans for covering expenses which included a table and scale charge system, and a commission plan, the market committee deducting a stated amount from all sales to be applied to the operation expenses.

Popularity

The country wide popularity of such markets was mentioned by the agent with special reference to those in operation in Baltimore, Washington, Knoxville, Spartanburg, Goldsboro, Salisbury and Hendersonville. All of approximately 70 agents in North Carolina are supporting outdoor markets, Miss Edwards stated, all of which are being profitably operated.

The Mecklenburg county market which did a cash business of $200,000 in 1928, operating six days per week, was opened with a series of Saturday afternoon cake sales held at the county courthouse, and has since grown to the extent that a large market house with outside stalls is required to house the business, she stated. This market averaged $600 in receipts each day last year, during which time one lady sold $800 worth of cakes baked at home.

West Asheville Theater Leased By Ritz Players

The West Asheville theater on Haywood road has been leased by the Ritz Players of Asheville, it was announced yesterday, and will be opened for regular showings soon. The Ritz Players organization was formerly the Blue Ridge Players company.

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Y BRANCH GROUP NAMES OFFICERS

West Asheville Boys To Launch Summer Program Monday

Officers of the West Asheville Boys' Christian Citizenship Club, a branch organization of the Asheville Y. M. C. A., were announced yesterday as follows; Guy Harwood, director, and assistant leader of the Clean Life Club under Seth J. Perkinson, first marshal. Thomas Butts, secretary. Harry Wilson treasurer J. M. Whitaker, Jr.; reporter, Jack Baumberger; lieutenants: Clean Speech Regiment, Claude Dills. Clean Living, Billy Hamrick Clean Sport Regiment, Billy James, and Clean Habit Regiment, Lyle Swett.

Morris Rich has been named director of the club band which will furnish music for meetings, and all officers are to serve for the ensuing fiscal year.

The summer program of the branch club will begin Monday night with a meeting at Calvary Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock, and a second meeting will be held Thursday night at the same time and place, Director Harwood stated yesterday. Free passes to the Asheville "Y" swimming pool will be awarded to new members Monday night and no dues will be charged for membership. Boys from 12 to 16 years of age who live in West Asheville are eligible to enrollment, and the Bible has been adopted as official handbook.

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THE SUNDAY CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C.

LADY DOCTOR TO BEGIN 15TH. YEAR OF PRACTICE SOON

Dr. Jennie L. Spalding, West Asheville's only lady physician will begin her 15th year of practice in the city early this autumn. An osteopathic physician by profession, Dr. Spalding came to Asheville in 1915 shortly after completing a course of study at the Kirksville school of Osteopaths, Kirksville, Mo. She passed the Missouri and North Carolina state board examinations in June, 1915, and for several years after coming here was associated with Dr. Rockwell, the mother of the late Kiffin Rockwell, who was killed in action during the World War, while a member of the Lafayette Flying organization.

Later she opened offices at 339-A Haywood road. She also is one of the few lady osteopathics in the city, and attended the recent meeting of the North Carolina Osteopathic association held in Charlotte.

The 1930 meeting of the organization will be held in Asheville at the invitation of local members, including Dr. Spalding.

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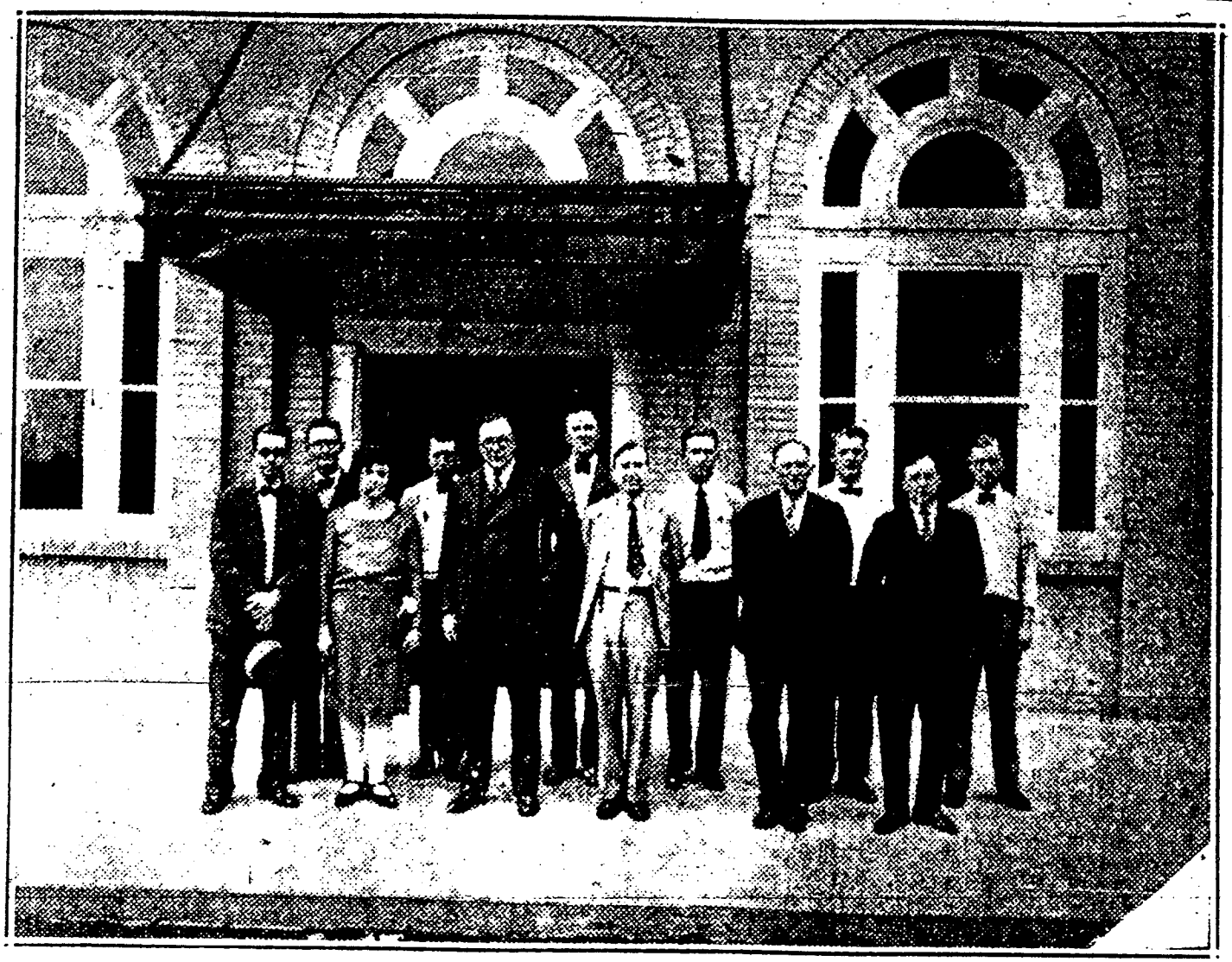
Personnel Of West Asheville Office



Above are the supervisors and employes of the new West Asheville branch station of the Asheville post office which will be formally opened in its new home on Haywood road today. Front row—left to right: E. L. Bishop superintendent of mails, Asheville office; Mrs Lela Haynie, clerk; Postmaster Dan W. Hill, of the Asheville office; Superintendent I. W. Bootton, of the West Asheville office, J. W. Ingram, foreman of carriers; and H. L Owen, clerk. Back row—C. B Hayes, J. Robison, Roy T. Brown, M. H. Baker, D F. Smith, and E. L. Parham, members of the West Asheville carrier force.

Formal Opening Of West Asheville Station Today

West Asheville Post Office, 795 Haywood Road, 1929.

NEW BUILDING TO BE FINISHED SOON

Bledsoe Adds Several Structures To West Asheville

The new brick and steel business building which is being erected on Haywood road adjoining the new Asheville postoffice building will be completed between July 15 and August 1, J. T. Bledsoe, of J. T. Bledsoe and Company, constructors stated yesterday.

The building will consist of two stories and basement with the top floor constructed for use as a community hall for public meetings and other events, while the other space will be allocated to locations for offices and business concerns. The structure will cost close to $25,000, and will bring the Bledsoe holdings in West Asheville up to several hundred thousand dollars, officials of the company have stated.

The first building erected in West Asheville by the concern was the new Bledsoe building located beyond the end of the car line which cost approximately $125,000, and was started in 1917. Later a theater building, service station and garage were added at a cost of approximately $25,000, and the Mildred Apartments at Haywood road and Mildred Avenue, which were opened April 1. The apartment building cost approximately $60,000, while several brick veneer homes have been built at an average cost of $5500 each. The new postoffice building cost close to $20,000, and is one of the most beautiful public structures in Asheville.

In addition to the official personnel of the Bledsoe concern, several men have been closely identified with the organization for several years, including W. C. Wilson, supervisor, and K. S. Bryson, assistant supervisor of carpenter work, L. T. Freeman, Ben Whitesides, David Stroupe; A. W. Kerr, supervisor of brick work, who has been with the firm for 17 years George Greene, James Parke, R. Nix, and others.

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STREET CAR SCHEDULE

MONTFORD AVENUE LINE

Leave Pack Square for Riverside, 6:00, 6:07, 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00, a. m. and every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:00 o. m. last car.

Leaves Riverside Park: 6:15, 6:22 6:30 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m. and then every 7½ minutes until 10:15 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m., last car

Leaves Pack Square for Depot: 6:30, 6:45, 6:00 a. m. and then every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m., then every fifteen minutes until 11:00 p. m.; last car

Leaves Depot: 6:45, 6:00, 6:15, 6:22, a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:15 p. m.; then every 15 minutes until 11:15 p. m. last car.

CHARLOTTE AND WEST ASHEVILLE LINE

Leaves Pack Square for Grove Park: 6:00, 6:07, 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:07 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:07; then 11:37 p. m., last car.

Leaves Grove Park: 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:07 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:22; then 11:52 p. m., last car

Leave Broadway for West Asheville, 6:37, 6:45 6:52, 6:00, 6:07, 6:15 6:22, 6:30 a. m. and every 7½ minutes until 9:52 p. m then every fifteen minutes until 11:07 p. m last car.

Leaves West Asheville: 6:00 6:07 6:15, 6:22 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m and then every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:30 p. m., last car

BILTMORE AND GRACE LINE

Leave Pack Square for Grace: 6:00, 6:07 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52 7:00 a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:00 p. m., last car

Leave Grace: 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45 6:52, 7:00 a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:15 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m., last car

Leaves Pack Square for Biltmore 6:00, 6:07, 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m., and every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:00 p. m. last car

Leaves Biltmore: 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37 6:45, 6:52, 7:00, a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:15 p. m., then every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m., last car

PATTON AVENUE AND EAST STREET LINE

Leave Pack Square for East St 6:07 6:22, 6:37, 6:52, 7:00, a. m and every fifteen minutes until 11:07 p. m last car

Leave East St. Terminus, 6:15, 6:30, 6:45 7:00, 7:15, a. m and every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m., last car

Leave Broadway for Patton Ave., 6:07 6:22, 6:37, 6:52, 7:07 a. m., and every fifteen minutes until 11:07 p. m.; last car

Leave Patton Ave. Terminus 6:15, 6:30 6:45, 7:00, 7:15 a. m and every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m last car

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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

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THE CUBAN RED SOX

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ASHEVILLE BLACK TOURIST

DON'T! MISS! IT!

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WATCH! The Cubans do their baseball antics, backhand catches, Spanish chatter, and "shadow-ball exhibition."

SEE!

THE DOUBLE HEADER SATURDAY

Admission 50c

Reserved Seats for White

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WEST ASHEVILLE MERCHANTS MEET

Credit Rating System Is Discussed; Annual Banquet Held

A general discussion of the proposed credit rating system and the formulation of plans for the publication of a credit rating book under the auspices of the organization featured the business program at a meeting of the West Asheville Merchants association held at Hall Fletcher junior high school last night.

The occasion was the annual banquet of the association, and President John May presided over the business meeting. Secretary V. F. Brown outlined plans for the installation of the system and reported on work accomplished to date, and plans to complete the gathering of data so that the book can be printed were made.

The system provides for an "A" and "B" rating for customers, and will also list all members of the association which now total 65. Eight new members, including the Asheville Citizen, were enrolled recently.

Secretary Brown pointed out that the purpose of the plan is to facilitate the transaction of business, to give merchants a convenient rating and reference with wholesale houses and jobbers, and to function as a mutual benefit system for both merchants and customers.

Asheville Citizen May 16, 1929

MANY PUPILS ARE SAVING FOR TOUR

1930 Washington Trip Planned For Night School Pupils

Ninety-five per cent of the pupils enrolled at the Aycock night school, West Asheville, are saving expense funds for the 1930 educational tour to Washington, members of the faculty stated yesterday. Several of the pupils have already saved the required amount of $25 and others have savings accounts which, if continued at the present rate, will exceed the amount before April, 1930 when the tour is to be made, it was said.

For several weeks the pupils have been studying literature on the national capital and States enroute, and are making a Washington book for the trip. This book contains clipped pictures and information and when completed will be used as a study text book at the school. Quite a great deal of material has been obtained from Pack Memorial library and other sources.

At present the pupils are studying a series of 50 views of interesting places about Washington which were made by the Keystone View company.

Other night schools in the city are planning to send pupils on the trip which will be in charge of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Morris, Mrs. J. M. Day and other workers in Asheville. Mrs Day is a member of the Aycock faculty.

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Roberts Completes Tennis Court Work

Roy P. Roberts, West Asheville grading and excavation contractor, yesterday announced the completion of a large tennis court at 61 Westwood place. Space for the court which is in charge of J. R. Bennet was given by Mrs. Laskly. Approximately 300 yards of dirt was moved in constructing the court.

Mr. Roberts handled the excavation contracts for the new West Asheville post office. Bledsoe and Robeson buildings, the new Mission hospital nurses home, and other Asheville projects completed recently.

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GROUP TO STUDY MARKET SYSTEMS

West Asheville Curb Plan Slated For Discussions

Should the proposed curb market system for West Asheville meet with the favorable consideration of local business men and farmers plans to get the plan in operation will be made as soon as possible, supporters of the movement stated yesterday.

The curb market systems of cities in North Carolina and Tennessee and possibly other points will be studied and data and information on the operation of such markets gathered for local use, it was said.

The matter will be discussed at a joint meeting of the West Asheville Club and the Leicester Community Life Club to be held at Leicester high school next Wednesday night, since it is considered probable that many farmers in the vicinity of Leicester will be interested in the proposition.

W. S. McRary has been appointed by President H. B. Posey of the West Asheville Club to supervise an investigation of the situation. He is being assisted by a committee.

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C., FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1929

Paving Delayed On West Asheville - Enka Route

Paving of the West Asheville-Enka highway will not begin until about July 1, officials of the Asheville Paving company, who were awarded the contract in March, stated yesterday. The delay is due to incompletion of grading and the construction of the Ragsdale, Hominy No. 1 and Hominy No. 2 bridges, it was said.

A consideration of $86,960 was involved in the contract which was awarded by the county commission. Work was planned to begin shortly after the contract was let, but has been delayed. The four miles of hardsurfacing is to be completed in 60 days.

The bridge contracts total a combined cost of approximately $50,000, and all three structures are said to be well underway.

It has been estimated that the road will serve approximately 20,000 people who will be connected with the American Enka corporation plant, in addition to hundreds of tourists and others who constitute the normal traffic of such an important highway link. The route is said to be considerably shorter than the present highway No. 10 from West Asheville to Enka.

Specifications call for a highway 20 feet wide, 8 inches thick on the edges and 6 inches thick in the center, and so constructed that widening to 36 feet will be possible.

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1929

Junior Music Club To Go On Air Today

A group of musicians selected from the Blanchard Junior Music Club, of West Asheville, will present the semi-weekly musical broadcast program of the club from Station WWNC "The Voice of The Citizen," from 5 until 5:30 o'clock this afternoon

Mrs. A. X. Blanchard and others will have charge of the program

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GARDNER TRIAL IS NEARING END

Defense Offers Testimoney In Effort To Show "Plant"

The defense in the trial of Dr. G. D. Gardner, in United States District court here, scored heavily late yesterday with evidence tending to show that the two ounces of morphine which the government alleges was bought from the physician was in reality "planted."

C. M. Champion, of Oteen, told of being near the scene in West Asheville and seeing the box which Walker Smith, alleged addict, is supposed to have purchased from Dr. Gardner passed to Smith from someone in a coupe just after Dr. Gardner's car had driven off.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Culver told of seeing someone approach an automobile belonging to Dr. Gardner near a downtown hotel just before the trip to West Asheville where the arrest was made was started. The man secured what looked like a physician's case from the car and then returned it, they testified.

Several other witnesses were introduced to corroborate the testimony offered by the three above. It was upon this evidence, to a large extent, that the defense is basing its case. Character witnesses were also offered.

The government's case, which was presented by Assistant District Attorneys Charlie Green and Frank Patton, was based largely upon the testimony of undercover men and upon the evidence of Walker Smith.

The defense attorneys were A. Hall Johnson and James S. Howell. The case is expected to be completed early today.

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JUDGE AVERY TO ADDRESS ORDER

West Asheville Lodge Members To Gather At Hall Tonight

I. W. Avery, prominent Morganton attorney, will be the principal speaker at a meeting of Locke Craig Council 161, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, to be held at the Junior hall on Hanover street, West Asheville, tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Judge Avery is a member of of the Burkemont council, Jr., O. U. A. M., and is well known among North Carolina members of the order.

Ira W. Warren, deputy elect for the second district, will attend the meeting, and all local and visiting members of the order are urged by the council officers to attend.

A business session is also planned after which refreshments will be served. The wives and daughters of members are invited to attend the latter part of the program.

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CLUB OPERETTA IS SUCCESSFUL

Aycock Program Meets With Commendation Of Audience

After several weeks of regular rehearsals and extensive preparations the two-act musical operetta, "Barbarossa of Barbary," was presented by a cast of players from the Harmony Music Club at Aycock last night.

The school auditorium was packed with a large audience which gave the players round after round of applause at the conclusion of the first and final acts, many of whom described the operetta as being one of the most entertaining features ever given by Asheville talent.

The club orchestra also gave a concert and played the musical scores for the acts. Leno Solary appeared in the tenor role of Commodore Decatur, and Miss Maude Mallonee lead the Spanish chorus.

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Under the supervision of W. S. McRary and others plans for the installation of a proposed curb market system in West Asheville are being carefully studied. Should the plan meet with public approval the markets in other cities will be inspected and ideas essential to the operation of the curb system here obtained. Mr. McRary was appointed by President H. B. Posey, of the West Asheville Club.

Asheville Citizen May 19, 1929

Figures available at the building permit desk in the city hall indicate that West Asheville is well on its way to retain the home building record in 1929. In 1928 close to $1,000,000 was expended for homes west of the river, while for the past five years the section has led all other Asheville sections in the number of building permits issued for homes.

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MRS. BARBEE IS HOSTESS TO CLUB

Junior Musicians Are Guests At Annual May Day Event

Mrs. S. A. Barbee was hostess to the officers and members of the Blanchard Junior Music Club, of West Asheville, at a May Day party given at her home on Haywood road yesterday afternoon. The party which is an annual event in the club program followed the monthly meeting which was held at 3 o'clock.

The routine business program was brief with the president, Miss Mary Stowe, presiding, after which came the musical program in charge of Mrs. Robert H. Spiro and Mrs. A. X. Blanchard.

The party was held on the spacious lawn of the home and was largely attended. A May pole and other seasonal features contributed to the entertainment, and afterwards refreshments were served.

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Entries In Baby Show Are Increasing Daily

Entries in the baby show to be conducted at the West Asheville Methodist church are increasing daily, it was announced yesterday. The event is being sponsored by Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society, and is open to all West Asheville babies from 3 months to 3 years of age.

All babies are to be examined by a trained nurse before officially entered, and good health and a strong physique will be important factors in awarding prizes.

The show will be held Friday, May 31, from 1 until 6 o'clock in the afternoon.

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Since January 1, one new real estate firm has located in West Asheville—R. A. Pailing and Son, 643 Haywood road. Mr. Pailing, who came here from Dover, Delaware, purchased a part of the holdings of J. L. Martin who has moved his office to his home on Haywood road.

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Steel reinforcements and framing are being placed in the new Bledsoe building adjoining the new West Asheville post office building on Haywood road, both of which are nearing completion. J. T. Bledsoe and company are constructors, and the two buildings will cost approximately $35,000.

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All exterior construction work on the new Robeson building on Haywood road is practically completed, and interior work is well underway. The building, which is being constructed for Mrs. Martha Robeson, will cost approximately $5,000.

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M'CLURE TO TALK AT CLUB MEETING

West Asheville Civic Organization Plans Varied Program

James G. K. McClure, of Asheville, will be the principal speaker at the semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville Club to be held at Hall Fletcher junior high school Thursday night at 7 o'clock. Mr. McClure will discuss "How West Asheville Can Best Cooperate with the Farmers near West Asheville."

Important topics slated for discussion at the meeting include the proposed curb market system, the information bureau system, and possibly the Boswell station movement. Plans for entering floats from the club and the West Asheville Community Club in the Rhododendron festival parade, and the participation of the community in the event in other ways will also probably receive attention.

The information bureau plans are in charge of a committee composed of Secretary Bert Starnes, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, and J. Oscar Barrett, and cover a proposed system of offices on Haywood road where visitors, tourists and others can obtain information about West Asheville.

Music will be furnished by a string quartet and Miss Thelma Moody, of the Vance school faculty, will entertain with a number of readings.

President H. B. Posey will preside and luncheon will be served by members of the Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star.

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WEST ASHEVILLE CONTRACT OFFICE IS DISCONTINUED

Due to the recent death of the clerk in charge, Dr. E. L. Pike, contract post office No. 7 which was located in Bilbro's drug store at the end of the carline on Haywood road, West Asheville, has been discontinued, it was announced at the West Asheville post office yesterday.

The office was to have been moved July 1 to the West Asheville Pharmacy at 418 Haywood road, and on that date when the new West Asheville post office will open, a branch will also open at the pharmacy. Until then there will be no No. 7 station, it was said.

All parcel post, registered letter and other service formerly conducted from Bilbro's drug store is now being handled from the main post office, although an individual stamp supply is being kept for sale at the former location. These stamps are sold for convenience to the public, and are purchased by the store from the post office.

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CLUB MUSICIANS TO HOLD MEETING

Miss Evelyn Baley To Entertain Members Monday Night

The music department of the West Asheville Community Club will meet at the home of the vice-chairman, Miss Evelyn Baley, 83 Beverly road, tomorrow night at 8 o'clock for the monthly meeting and program.

Mrs. J. W. Spencer, former chairman of the organization, will have charge of the program, and the present chairman, Miss Irene Logan, will preside. Hostesses will be Mrs. J. M. Baley, Miss Evelyn Baley, Dr. Jennie L. Spaulding, Miss Mary Wilder, Miss Mary Logan, Miss Parnell Davis and Miss Ava Orr.

A varied program consisting of vocal and instrumental music has been arranged. The meeting will be the first of the ensuing fiscal year, for which the following new officers have been chosen: Miss Irene Logan, chairman; Miss Evelyn Baley, vice-chairman; Miss Alma Guthrie, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. E. C. Griffin, reporter.

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., SUNDAY, MAY 19, 1929

UNIVERSAL ADDS TO SALES FORCE

West Asheville Firm Employes Johnson, Mrs. Sowers

Officials of the Universal Motor Company, Inc., West Asheville branch of the Richbourg Motor Company, yesterday announced the addition of Mrs. Hugh Sowers and Sam H. Johnson to the sales force.

Both Mrs. Sowers and Mr. Johnson, who are well known in Asheville, will begin their duties at once. Mrs. Sowers is a member of the West Asheville Community Club, and is also actively connected with the literary, music and civic departments of the organization. Her husband, Hugh Sowers, is connected with the Asheville branch of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company.

Mr. Johnson has been engaged in the real estate business here for the past two years. Previously he was employed by the Southern Railway for fifteen years.

Charles C. Ricker, of the concern which is located at 432 Haywood Road, stated yesterday that the Universal Company is a model Ford agency of its class in the Carolinas, and maintains a Class 8 shop with mechanics trained in the Ford school. The sales force consists of four members with three others employed in the parts department and office.

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NEW POSTOFFICE BUILDING TO OPEN TO PUBLIC JUNE 30

The West Asheville post office will open for business July 1, E. L. Bishop, superintendent of mails, Asheville post office, has announced.

A formal opening of the building which is located on Haywood road, a short distance west of the end of the carline, will be held Sunday, June 30, at which time the public will be invited to inspect the new branch office during the day.

All exterior work on the building is now completed, and interior work will soon be finished, J. T. Bledsoe of J. T. Bledsoe and company, constructors, announced recently.

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Asheville Silk Hosiery Mill Begins Operations

Operations at the plant of the Asheville Silk Hosiery Mills, Deaverview road, West Asheville, are now underway, officials stated yesterday.

Preliminary machinery tests and test manufacturing began several weeks ago, and since a day force with a small night shift have been employed and are now working. Two large machines and all the auxiliary machines are operating, it was said.

The complete equipment of the plant as now planned will consist of 16 machines to be installed in units of two. Several of the machines have been installed while others have been ordered.

The plant which cost approximately $250,000 to construct and equip, is located near Boswell siding, the site of the proposed passenger, express and freight office for West Asheville. Construction work on the building was begun last December and was completed about a month ago.

A high grade of silk hosiery will be manufactured for jobber and wholesale trade, and plans underway provide for a large mass production within a few months. The machines are being operated by trained operators, and recruited help is also being trained. Applications for employment are being filed for future reference as the force is increased.

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Bruce Emory Research

WEST ASHEVILLE FIRM RATES HIGH

Universal Motors Is Model; Operates An Excellent Shop

The Universal Motor Company, Inc., of 432 Haywood road, West Asheville, is now rated as a model Ford agency in the Carolinas, officials stated yesterday. The mechanics in charge were trained in the Ford Motor company school, with a sales organization of four members employed. Mrs. Hugh Bowers and Sam H. Johnson recently joined the sales force and have assumed their duties with the firm.

Officials yesterday called attention to the fact that the local impression that the Universal company is connected with the Richbourg Motor company, of Asheville, is not correct, the West Asheville firm being a separate and individual company and agency.

Three men are employed in the parts department and office, Charles C. Ricker, of the company, stated.

Asheville Citizen May 21, 1929

NIGHT SCHOOL TO HOLD EXERCISES

Dr. Alderman To Visit Aycock Friday Night For Inspection

The class of '29 Aycock night school, West Asheville, will be presented with certificates and awards of graduation at the county courthouse Saturday night.

Friday night Dr. I. E Alderman, of Washington, D C., national director of adult education will visit the school and meet with the pupils in their classes. Dr. Alderman will make the awards Saturday night, at which time members of graduating classes of the other city night schools will receive certificates.

The Aycock night school was scheduled to close May 7, but due to a unanimous request from the pupils, classes will remain in session until Friday night, so that Dr. Alderman may have an opportunity to visit the school and see the pupils at their work.

C. F. Jenkins, school president, is also president of the class. Mr. Jenkins learned to read and write in the night school classes. The faculty is composed of Mrs. J. M. Day, Mrs. H. F. Detheridge, Mrs. J. C. Duncan, Miss Vinnie Whitaker, and Miss Flossie Day. Several weeks ago the Pine Grove school was combined with Aycock which now has an enrollment of close to 100 pupils.

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WEST ASHEVILLE FLOATS PLANNED

Mrs. Handte To Direct The Community Club Arrangements

Plans for floats from the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club to be entered in the annual Rhododendron Festival parade, and for an active participation in the event in other ways, are underway by the two organizations, it has been announced.

Mrs. J. S. Handte has been appointed chairman of the float committee of the Community Club by the president, Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, and is now arranging preliminary details preparatory to calling a meeting of the committee and discussing plans for the float. A number of suggestions are expected from members of the club, and all will be thoroughly considered, and the most ideal plan selected.

At a recent meeting of the West Asheville Club R. E. Currence, who has been appointed to represent the organization on the festival committee, and others discussed the importance of West Asheville being represented by one or more floats in the parade. It was suggested that the matter be discussed further, and a committee to confer with the Community Club officers was appointed.

Mr. Currence was appointed at the request of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

Asheville Citizen May 22, 1929

NIGHT SCHOOL PUPILS WRITE

Progress Is Shown In Letters Received By The Citizen

A package of letters written by pupils in the second group at the Aycock night school, West Asheville, many of whom have learned to write in the "moonlight school" classes, has been received at the West Asheville office of The Citizen.

The letters which were forwarded by Mrs. J. M. Day, of the faculty, expressed the appreciation of the pupils for publicity given the night school work by The Citizen, and in an interesting manner, revealed the interest they have in their studies.

All of the letters were well written and their composition is commendable, both in spelling and writing, and are an indication of the progress the pupils are making in their studies.

The final session of classes for the year will be held Friday night when Dr. L. E. Alderman, national director of adult education, will visit the pupils, and see them at work. Dr. Alderman, whose headquarters are at Washington, will present certificates to the night school graduating classes of the city at the courthouse Saturday night. The Aycock class will attend with the president, C. F. Jenkins.

The school was scheduled to close May 7, but in compliance with the unanimous request of the pupils that classes be continued until Dr. Alderman arrives, the term was lengthened.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 22, 1929

LOCAL PHYSICIAN GIVEN SENTENCE

Dr. G. D. Gardner Will Serve Year And Day At Atlanta

Judge E. Yates Webb, presiding over the district term of federal court yesterday reduced an 18 months sentence imposed upon Dr. G. D. Gardner, local physician, to a year and a day in the federal prison at Atlanta. The physician will begin his sentence within a few days, it was learned. He was convicted on charges of violating the narcotic law.

A. Hall Johnson and James S. Howell handled the defendant's case, and entered an appeal to the 18 months sentence. The appeal was withdrawn when the sentence was reduced to a year and a day.

Floyd Beaver of Burnsville was given a year and a day sentence in the Chillicothe Federal reformatory when convicted on a charge of forgery. The prisoner, according to the testimony, forged his cousin's name to a government compensation check for $57.50 and cashed the instrument.

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FIRMS CONFER ON LOCATIONS HERE

Equipment Is Ordered For The Postoffice In West Asheville

A number of outside concerns, including one chain store, in addition to a local firm are negotiating with J. T. Bledsoe and Company, of Asheville, on leases for business locations in the new $25,000 structure now in course of construction on Haywood Road, West Asheville, it was announced yesterday. The names of the concerns were not divulged, although it was stated that several requests for space are on file.

The building which is located adjoining the new West Asheville post office, is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy by July 15, Mr. Bledsoe stated yesterday.

Equipment for the post office costing $5,300, has been ordered and is expected by June 7, the approximate date set for completion of the office structure. The fixtures were purchased by the Bledsoe firm, who are constructors of the building, and will be installed by them.

Formal opening of the post office will be held Sunday, June 30, and the post office department lease will go into effect for a period of ten years Monday morning, July 1, Asheville post office officials have announced.

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN.

WEST ASHEVILLE LIBRARY SOUGHT

Community Club Plans Announced; Public Aid Is Assured

A movement to secure a public library for West Asheville has been launched by the West Asheville Community Club, it was announced yesterday.

A committee has been appointed by the club to work out plans for the library and to report at meetings of the organization on progress made, and to take part in discussions of new plans. Mrs. C. B. Anderson has been named chairman of the committee by Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, president, and the movement has been placed on the club list as one of the most important plans now underway.

The services of a librarian have already been offered gratuitously, and many assurances of public support have been received.

Mrs. Anderson stated yesterday that a long time would probably be required to get plans perfected and underway, and to finance the library, since other things are being supported by the organization, including an educational plan.

The second girl to be educated by the club will graduate from Milligan College, Milligan, Tenn., in June where she has been a student for the past four years. A third girl will begin her college course next September as a beneficiary of the club

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M'Clure To Address West Asheville Club Tonight

"How West Asheville Can Best Cooperate with the Farmers near West Asheville," will be the subject of an address by James G. K. McClure Jr. at the semi-monthly meeting of the West Asheville Club tonight at 7 o'clock.

The meeting will be held at Hall Fletcher high school with President H. B. Posey presiding and one of the most important business and community programs of the year has been arranged.

Matters slated for discussion include the proposed curb market and information bureau systems, the plans of the club for participation in the Rhododendron festival, and others.

Curb Market

Mr. McClure's address will also touch on the curb market system, in addition to other subjects of mutual interest to West Asheville and outlying sections such as Leicester, Hominy and Candler. The community cooperation program was launched several months ago when a series of "Community Night" programs were given at regular meetings of the organization. Delegations from Candler and Leicester were entertained, and last night a delegation from the local club visited the regular meeting of the Leicester Community Life Club where a joint program was given.

W. S. McRary has been appointed by President Posey to head the curb market committee. Members of the information bureau committee are Secretary Bert Starnes, Dr. H. G. Brookshire and J. Oscar Barrett. Dr. Brookshire is chairman of the public improvements committee.

Other features of the program include luncheon to be served by members of Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star, a string band concert, and a group of readings by Miss Thelma Moody, of the Vance school faculty.

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DIRECTORS FOR BUREAUS NAMED

West Asheville Club Sponsors System Of Offices

Directors of the three information bureaus to be operated in West Asheville under the supervision of the West Asheville Club, were announced yesterday.

Secretary Bert Starnes, of the club, will have charge of Bureau Office No. 1 which will be located at the Mutual Coal company, 440 Haywood road. Office No. 2 which will be at May's Market, 747 Haywood road will be managed by John May, who is president of the West Asheville Merchants association. Frank J. Austin, of Morris-Austin company, will have charge of Office No. 3 which will be located at the office of the firm, 1214 Haywood road.

All three offices will be opened at an early date, and each will be marked with a large sign bearing the number, the name of the director, and the information that the office is sponsored by the West Asheville Club. The signs will be painted, and will be worded on both sides.

The purpose of the plan is to furnish tourists, visitors and others with information about West Asheville. The plans for the offices were in charge of a committee composed of Mr. Starnes, Dr. H. G. Brookshire, and J. Oscar Barrett.

Asheville Citizen May 23, 1929

SIXTEEN NIGHT SCHOOL PUPILS COMPLETE WORK

Sixteen pupils, composing the class of '29 at Aycock night school, West Asheville, will receive certificates of graduation at the county courthouse tonight. The president, C. F. Jenkins, who is a member of the Class of '28, will receive a continuation certificate.

The certificates will be awarded by Dr. L. E. Alderman, of Washington, D. C., national director of adult education, who is in Asheville on an inspection tour of the city night schools.

Graduating pupils of the other Asheville night schools will also receive their certificates tonight.

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COMMITTEE TO ARRANGE FLOAT

West Asheville Civic Club To Take Part In Festival

Appointment of a committee to supervise plans for the participation of the West Asheville Community Club in the Rhododendron Festival, and to arrange for a float to be entered in the festival parade was announced yesterday by Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, president.

Members of the committee are: Mrs. J. S. Handte, chairman; Mrs. Carl C. Hauk, Mrs. J. G. Anderson, Mrs. Raymond H. Officer, and Mrs. R. B. Truett. The first meeting was held Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Gaskins where plans were discussed, and other meetings are to be held.

The West Asheville Club is also planning to enter a float, the matter having been discussed at a recent meeting, when it was decided to confer with officers of the Community Club, and to enlist the support of members of both organizations. R. E. Currence, a member of the club, has been appointed by President H. B. Posey to represent the organization on the Rhododendron Festival committee. The appointment was made at the request of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

Asheville Citizen May 24, 1929

CLUB TO CONFER ON MARKET PLAN

System Described As Mutual Benefit To Communities

Plans for the cooperation of the Leicester Community Life Club with the West Asheville Club in bringing about the proposed curb market system for West Asheville which has been described as a mutual benefit for both communities, are underway, President L. E. Allman, of the former club, has announced.

Mr. Allman in referring to the matter at a joint meeting of the two clubs Wednesday night stated that the citizens of Leicester and interested members of their organization would confer on the plan, and would offer all assistance possible in making it a success, should it prove practical.

Leicester and vicinity, it has been pointed out, would be the most important source of supply for produce for a curb market, while there are several other prosperous farming and truck growing sections in close proximity to West Asheville, which, it is believed, would produce an adequate supply of produce.

The principal purpose of such a market, supporters of the movement have stated, is to keep at home money which is being spent by local merchants for produce out of South Carolina, Baltimore and other sources of import supply, by furnishing the farmers and produce growers with a dependable and profitable local market, paying them money for their produce, the greater part of which is returned to merchants, or deposited in local banks.

W. S. McRary is chairman of the West Asheville Club committee on the market plan. After a thorough discussion and study, the curb market systems of various cities will be studied, and all practical methods of operating applied to the West Asheville market.

Asheville Citizen May 24, 1929

Mayor Opens Poppy Sale

Mayor Gallatin Roberts has purchased the first poppy of the Poppy Day sale for the benefit of the work of the American Legion auxiliary which begins this morning in Asheville. Mrs. L. B. Dorian, of the auxiliary, made the sale. Practically every one in Asheville today will be asked to follow the example which has been set by the Mayor in helping along the work for the boys at Oteen hospital.

CIRCLE DIRECTS BABY SHOW PLAN

Tiny West Asheville Folks To Compete For Honors

Under the auspices of Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society, a baby show for all little West Asheville boys and girls, whose ages range from 3 months to 3 years of age, will be held at the West Asheville Methodist church next Friday afternoon from 1 to 6 o'clock.

All West Asheville babies meeting with the age requirements of the contest are eligible for entry, and all youthful contestants will be judged on physical merits, rather than dress or beauty. Consequently, the boys have an equal chance with the girls as far as clothes and good looks go. Trained nurses will examine all babies and souvenirs will be given to all babies entering the show.

In addition several cash prizes will be awarded as follows: Belle Bennett Missionary Society, $5.00 as first prize; the Bank of West Asheville, $2.50 as second prize; and three prizes of $1.00 each for the three next prize winning youngsters.

Concerns assisting in the show are the West Asheville Pharmacy, Barker's Department store, Teague's grocery store, Bryant's Drug Store, Shelder-Brookshire Pharmacy, and Howard's studio. The studio will award three photographs to the baby winning first prize, and one each to the other prize winning babies.

Asheville Citizen May 26, 1929

1929 Graduates---Aycock Night School

In connection with the adult school graduation exercises held at the county courthouse last night, fifteen West Asheville men and women, composing the Class of '29, Aycock night school, were awarded certificates of graduation by Dr. L. E. Alderman, of Washington, D. C., national director of adult education, who is visiting here. President C. F. Jenkins, who completed his course last year, received a continuation certificate. Eleven members of the class are shown above with their teacher, Miss Vonnie Whitaker. Three students were absent when the picture was taken. Reading from left to right: J. H. Swaney, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Cora Davis, S. T. Griffith, Mrs. Jensen, George Merrell, Miss Whitaker, Charlie Reid, Marguerite Hurd, Mr. Jensen, Mr. Robinson, and President Jenkins.

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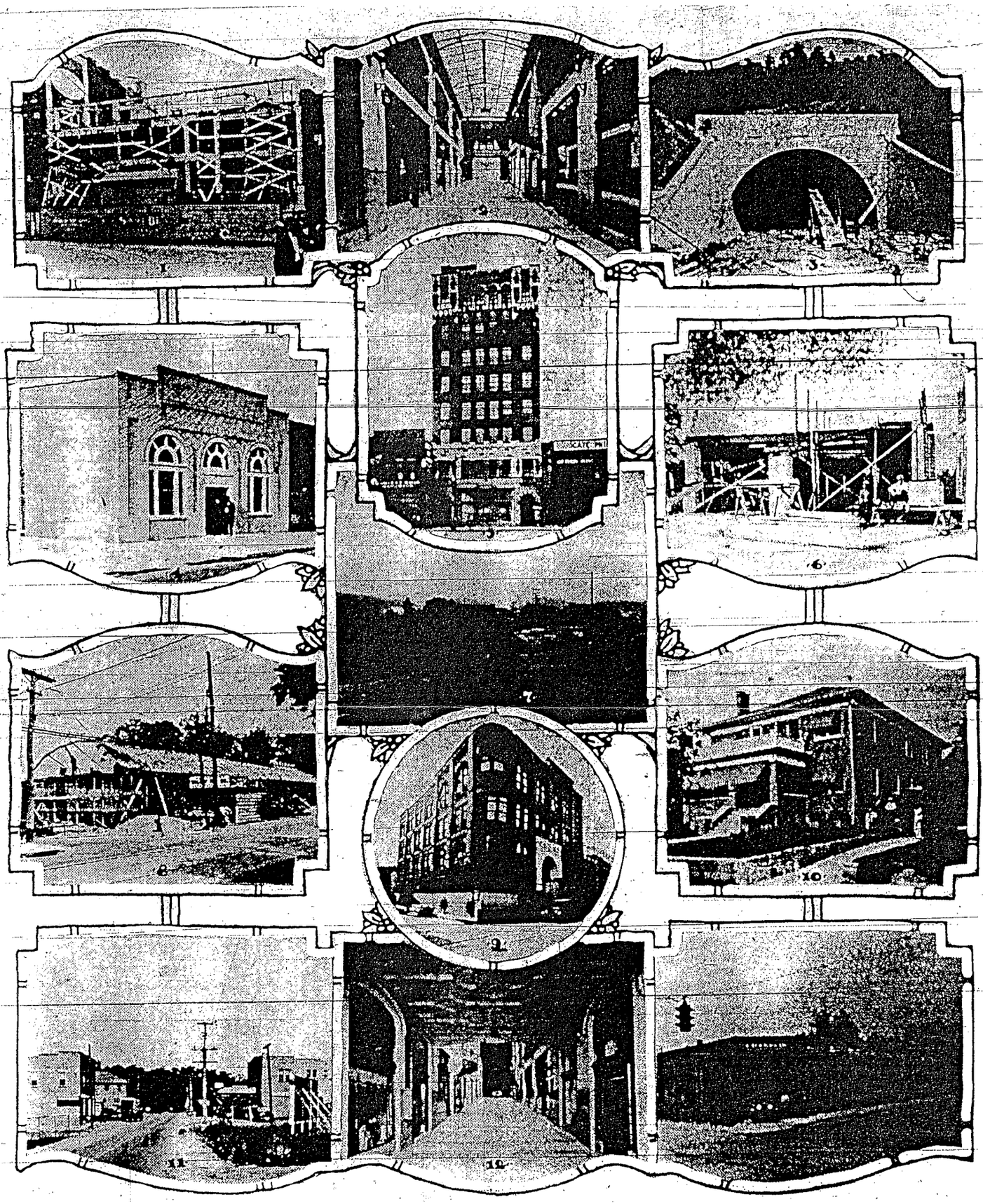
"DEDICATED TO THE UPBUILDING OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA"

ASHEVILLE, N. C., SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 26, 1929

Valuable Evidence Of Present Progress In Asheville



A survey yesterday by The Asheville Citizen revealed the fact that there are now opening and will soon open in Asheville structures totaling an expenditure of $13,002,000. A few of these are shown above and are as follows:

1—The S. and W. Cafeteria. 2—The north lobby of the Grove Arcade building. 3—Beaucatcher tunnel. 4—West Asheville postoffice building. 5—Public Service building of the Coxe estate. 6—Bledsoe office building, West Asheville. 7—The American Enka plant. 8—The Bailey Tire Company building. 9—The new home of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company. 10—The C. W. Teague apartment house, West Asheville. 11—Left, Enka cafe and Enka drug store, right, Bailey Tire Company at Enka. 12—The Enka Supply Company. 13—South lobby of the Grove Arcade building; and 13—The Franklin Sales and service garage.

Staff Photos By Michael

Night School Census Movement Launched

Aided by the faculty of the Aycock night school which closed the 1928-29 session last Friday night, and President C. F. Jenkins, of the graduating class, a census of people living in West Asheville who cannot read or write will be taken, it has been announced. Cards have been distributed to workers by Mr. Jenkins, and the plan is for them to enlist the interest of their friends in the coming session which is to open next fall.

The annual "Write Your Name" campaign will begin soon, and will be conducted under the auspices of the city night school workers. Those assisting Mr. Jenkins are night school students at Aycock.

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NEWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE
Citizen Bureau, 729½ Haywood Road
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Finish Improvements At W. Asheville Parks

Extensive Development Planned By City Of Ryerson Tract

With the installation of several scores of benches, swings, children's slides, sand pits, and other amusement devices by the city in the Horney Heights and Ryerson parks in the western section of Asheville, the city park commission plans to give to the residents of West Asheville two of the major units of the city park system. E. C. Greene, chairman of the park commission announced last night.

City forces last week completed the installation of the devices in the two parks. A large pavilion has been erected in the Horney Heights park which will provide that community with excellent picnic and outing facilities. The walkways have been placed in first class shape and several scores of everblooming plants have been set out in the Horney Heights park.

Tables with benches have been placed about the two park tracts in anticipation of a large season at the two amusement centers. Park officials stated they planned no immediate installation of devices similar to the merry go round and ferris wheel in the near future.

The Ryerson park, containing 114 acres, abounds in natural beauty Hundreds of large shade trees are situated about the tract. Several hundred yards of the park faces on the river which gives patrons of the park the opportunity to stage outings along the banks of the stream.

The park officials plan to install a swimming pool similar to the Aston Park pool at the Ryerson park during the next season.

One of the most unique features of the Ryerson park which will be worked out during the next few years will be the planting of practically every known Western North Carolina shrub and flower at the park.

Tentative plans call for several experimental tests of the soil to be made to determine the species of flower or shrub which will be best adapted to certain sections of the park. When completed the park will be one of the most beautiful centers in this section, officials declare.

CITIZEN STATION TO FEATURE WEST ASHEVILLE GROUP

The semi-monthly "half-hour" musical broadcast program of the Blanchard Junior Music club of West Asheville, will be given from the auditorium studio at Station WWNC this afternoon from 5 until 5:30 o'clock.

The programs of the West Asheville group have been a regular feature of the "Voice of The Citizen" station for several months, and have been widely commended. Programs are varied and consist of mixed vocal and instrumental numbers. Mrs. A. X. Blanchard is the organizer and one of the chief sponsors of the club.

Asheville Citizen June 14, 1929

POOL ROOMS ARE ORDERED CLOSED

City Notice Complied With By Owners In West Asheville

In compliance with an order issued by the city commissioners to that effect, all operators of pool rooms and billiard parlors in West Asheville have closed their establishments, pending a lawful permit to reopen them, it was announced yesterday.

The recently proposed establishment of a third pool room district in the section of Haywood road between Michigan Avenue and Oakwood Road which was provided for in city ordinance No. 110, has met with virorous and organized opposition almost in every section of West Asheville, it was said, and recently a delegation of close to 100 prominent citizens appeared before the commissioners and expressed a very unfavorable attitude toward any movement which would allow pool rooms to be operated in that section. Several ministers were included in the delegation, and the commissioners promised the opposition that their request would be given serious consideration before the passage of the proposed ordinance.

Several pool rooms had opened in West Asheville without a law right C. H. Bartlett commissioner of public safety stated yesterday and since such operation was in violation of the city law, all were ordered closed, the owners complying with the order without any unpleasantness, it was said. Mr. Bartlett stated yesterday that he was unaware that pool rooms were in operation in the section in question until Monday, and that when the commissioners learned of this, the order to close was issued.

The opposition to the proposed establishment of the third zone is so strong that it is considered probable that the ordinance will meet with unfavorable consideration when it comes before the commissioners for action.

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LIBRARY REPORT IS INTERESTING

Many West Asheville High Students Are Regular Patrons

From September 3, 1928, to April 3 of this year, a total number of 16,613 visits from students at Hall Fletcher junior high school, West Asheville, to the school library were recorded, according to the final report for the term made by Miss Nanney Stallings official librarian. During the same period, 2,934 books were checked out of the shelves for home use, while many students used the various magazines and other publications in the library for school work and recreation.

The library is located on the third floor of the building and is well equipped. During the school term, hours are from 8:30 o'clock in the morning until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and during the vacation period the library is closed. The room is large and spacious with a seating capacity of 42, and is well lighted and ventilated.

Two unabridged dictionaries and five sets of encyclopedias are included in the books, and are never checked out for home use since their almost constant use at school makes this impossible. The encyclopedias are "World Book," "Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia," "Book of Knowledge," "The New International," and "The Americana." The dictionaries are "The New International."

The report also shows that several students who are interested in library work have been used as assistants and given valuable instructions, while on days when there was no chapel, the library was used during that period to instruct classes in the "The Use of Books and the Library."

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NEWS OF WEST ASHEVILLE

Citizen Bureau, 729½ Haywood Road
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WEST ASHEVILLE SERVICE ROUTED

Direction Of Dispatch And Receipt Of Mail Schedule Given

The following schedule for the dispatch and receipt of mails for the West Asheville post office, effective July 1, was announced yesterday by Postmaster Dan W. Hill as follows:

Dispatch, daily except Sunday and holidays: Train No. 22, Salisbury, Richmond, Washington, New York, Boston and points North and East, mails close at 6:45 o'clock, a. m.; Train No. 28, Atlanta, Columbia, Jacksonville, Savannah, and points South, but not for points between Asheville and Spartanburg, S. C., mails close at 6:45 o'clock, a. m.; Train No. 11, Knoxville, Cincinnati, Chicago, Louisville, Birmingham, New Orleans, and all Western points, mails close at 12:20 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 12, East and North, same as Train No. 22, mails close at 12:20 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 19, Canton, Waynesville, Bryson City and Murphy, mails close at 12:20 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 10, Atlanta, Columbia, Jacksonville, Savannah, and points south, mails close at 2:20 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 16, East and North, same as Train No. 22, but does not carry registered mail or mail for points between Asheville and Salisbury, mails close at 2:20 o'clock p. m.; Train No. 36, East and North, same as Train No. 22, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 27, Western points same as Train No. 11, and Georgia, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 2, South, same as Train No. 10, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 101 West, same as Train No. 11, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m.; Train oN. 17, Murphy division, same as Train No. 19, mails close at 6:00 o'clock, p. m. Mails for dispatch on Sunday and holidays close at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Recipt Of Mail

Recipt of mails: Daily except Sunday and holidays, Train No. 35, Salisbury, Richmond, Washington, New York, Boston and points East and North, mails received usually distributed by 8 o'clock a. m.; Train No. 18, Canton, Waynesville, Bryson City and Murphy, mails received usually distributed by 8 o'clock a. m.; Train No. 21, East, and North, same as Train No. 35, mails received usually distributed by 8 o'clock a. m.; Train No. 27, Atlanta, Columbia, Jacksonville, Savannah and all points south, mails received usually distributed by 8 o'clock a. m.; Train No. 102, Knoxville, Cincinnati, Chicago, Louisville, Birmingham, New Orleans, and all western points, mails received usually distributed by 1:15 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 15, East and North, same as Train No. 35, mails received usually distributed by 1:15 o'clock p. m.; Train No. 1, South same as Train No. 27, mails received usually distributed by 1:15 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 20, Murphy division same as Train No. 18, mails received usually distributed by 1.15 o'clock p. m.; Train No. 28, West, same as Train, No. 102, mails received usually distributed by 3:30 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 9, South, same as Train No. 1 and Train No. 27, mails received usually distributed by 3:30 o'clock p. m.; Train No. 11, East and North, same as Train No. 35, mails received usually distributed by 3:30 o'clock, p. m.; Train No. 12, same as Train No. 102, mails received usually distributed by 3:30 o'clock, p. m.

All Sunday and holiday dispatches are made from 2 o'clock until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Mail dispatched to Train No. 10, South, connects with the New York-Atlanta-Miami air mail route at Spartanburg, S. C.

West Asheville Bridge And Market Discussed

Charles Neal And Miss Adna Edwards Speak At Civic Meeting

An address by Charles H. Neal, Asheville civil engineer, on a proposed new steel high bridge connecting Asheville and West Asheville to be financed by a joint issue of city and county bonds aggregating one and a half million dollars, and an explanation of the establishment and operation of a curb market system for West Asheville by Miss Adna Edwards, Buncombe county home demonstration agent, featured an interesting meeting of the West Asheville Club held at Hall Fletcher high school last night.

A. L. Duckett, vice president of the club, and chief of the Asheville fire department, presided in the absence of President H. B. Posey, and Miss Edwards was the first speaker.

The home demonstration agent who has been directly connected with several open air markets in various sections of the state, and who recently organized a system in Asheville, discussed the West Asheville plan in detail, and gave suggestions for organization and profitable operation. A stable price for all who sell at the market so as to avoid unfair competition, location, the organizing of a group of regular producers in adjoining rural sections, and the adoption of a satisfactory cash and carry plan, were outlined by Miss Edwards as being essential. She also suggested various plans for covering expenses which included a table and scale charge system, and a commission plan, the market committee deducting a stated amount from all sales to be applied to the operation expenses.

Popularity

The country wide popularity of such markets was mentioned by the agent with special reference to those in operation in Baltimore, Washington, Knoxville, Spartanburg, Goldsboro, Salisbury and Hendersonville. All of approximately 70 agents in North Carolina are supporting outdoor markets, Miss Edwards stated, all of which are being profitably operated.

The Mecklenburg county market which did a cash business of $200,000 in 1928, operating six days per week, was opened with a series of Saturday afternoon cake sales held at the county courthouse, and has since grown to the extent that a large market house with outside stalls is required to house the business, she stated. This market averaged $600 in receipts each day last year, during which time one lady sold $800 worth of cakes baked at home.

Bruce Emory Research

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 1929

West Asheville Clubs To Sponser Beauty Contest

Voting will begin this morning in the Rhododendron Festival beauty contest which is being sponsored jointly by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club.

The names of twenty West Asheville girls have been selected as candidates by the float comittees of the two clubs which are headed by Mrs. J. S. Handte and C. F. Byerly, and the three girls receiving the most votes are to ride on the float to be entered in the festival by the organizations.

Only high school and college girls were considered by the committees in making their selections and the following girls have been chosen: Margaret Byerly, Beverly June Pruett, Sarah Orr, Gillian Jones, Jessie Holcombe, Ruth Penland, Dorothe Ebbs, Helen Miller, Marion Kahn, Lois Ebbs, Maybelle Chandler, Evelyn Maney, Cordelia Dunn, Margaret Spivey, Evelyn Pumford, Mary Westall, Virginia Sherrell, Anna Felmster, Mary Weatherly, and Claire DeLoach.

Ballot boxes will be placed in all the West Asheville drug stores, and will be supplied with envelopes. Votes are to cost one cent each, and the plan is to write the name of the girl voted for on the outside of the envelope, insert the coin, and seal it. All votes are to be placed in the ballot boxes and will be checked each night until the contest closes.

Plans for participation in the festival have been discussed at recent meetings of both clubs and at the last meeting of the West Asheville Club plans for both organizations to sponsor a joint float, were announced

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WEST ASHEVILLE BUREAUS TO OPEN

Information System To Consist Of Three Offices

Plans for the opening within one week of the system of information bureau offices sponsored by the West Asheville Club, were announced yesterday. Signs and other features of the three offices which are to be located on Haywood road, are being worked on, and if possible, the bureaus will be functioning within a week, it was said.

Due to the arrival of the tourist season, placing an unusually heavy traffic on Haywood road which is a section of State Highway No. 10, the offices must be opened soon if they are to serve their purpose this season, it has been pointed out.

Directors of the offices and locations have been named as follows: No. 1, 440 Haywood road, Bert Starnes; No. 2, 747 Haywood road, John May; No. 3, 1214 Haywood road, Frank J. Austin.

The signs will bear the information that the office is sponsored by the West Asheville Club and is operated for the convenience of tourists, visitors and others seeking information about West Asheville, and will be worded on both sides.

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MANY VOTES ARE CAST YESTERDAY

Rhododendron Festival Contest Opens In W. Asheville

A check up on the votes last night which were cast yesterday on the opening day of the beauty contest which is being conducted by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club, indicated that the contest is going to be one of the most interesting ever held here, workers stated, and that before the winners are announced thousands of votes will be cast.

A list of twenty West Asheville girls, three of whom will be selected by popular vote to ride on the float which is to be entered in the Rhododendron festival parade by the two clubs. The votes are to be checked each night, and voting will continue for about one week.

C. F. Byerly is chairman of the West Asheville Club float committee. Members of the Community Club committee are: Mrs. J. S. Randle chairman; Mrs. Carl C. Hauk, Mrs J. G. Anderson, Mrs. Raymond H. Officer, and Mrs. R. B. Truett.

At the request of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce R. E. Currence has been appointed to represent the West Asheville Club on the festival committee.

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FLOWER EXHIBIT PLAN ANNOUNCED

West Asheville Show Is Slated For Vance School Soon

Plans for holding the annual flower show at Vance school, West Asheville, some time this summer instead of next autumn, have been announced by Mrs. Wilbur Morris, president of the Vance Parent-Teacher asociation, sponsors of the event.

Mrs. Robert Russell of 79 Louisiana avenue, has been appointed general chairman of the event which will be featured by special classes for children and gardeners.

Various prizes will be given in the several classes, and the award list is growing daily, and a general invitation has been extended to women of rural communities to participate in the show, and to enter flower exhibits for competition.

Although held two weeks after announcement was made the 1928 show was very successful, and was outstanding for the number and quality of exhibits. Due to additional preparations and plans the 1929 show is expected to be far more successful.

The date has not been announced but will be decided on soon, those connected with the show have announced.

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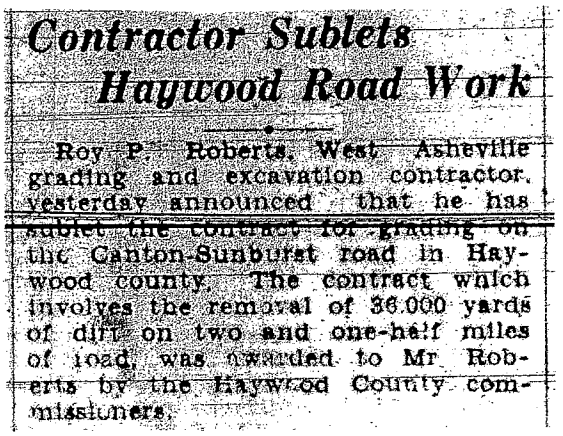

Contractor Sublets Haywood Road Work

Roy P. Roberts, West Asheville grading and excavation contractor, yesterday announced that he has sublet the contract for grading on the Canton-Sunburst road in Haywood county. The contract which involves the removal of 36,000 yards of dirt on two and one-half miles of road, was awarded to Mr Roberts by the Haywood County commissioners.

Asheville Citizen May 31, 1929

CHURCH CIRCLE SPONSORS SHOW

Health Crusade Event Attracts Many Tiny Contestants

Sponsored by Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Missionary Society, of the West Asheville Methodist church, a Health Crusade Better Babies Show was held at the church from 1 to 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Despite the inclement weather, close to 40 tiny citizens of the community, ranging from three months to three years of age, were present for competition, and with so many fine youngsters entered, those who are to decide on the winners, found themselves confronted with a difficult and complicated task at the conclusion of the event.

All contestants will be judged on physical merits alone, the contestants not deeming personal attire and beauty worthy of serious consideration in such a contest. All data and notes on the youngsters taken by nurses, have been turned over to a physician for examination, and the prize winners will be anounced next week. Mrs. Leslie Huested and Mrs. Frank Ewers were in charge of examinations.

Concerns assisting in the show include Wachtel's, of Asheville, the West Asheville Pharmacy, Barker's department store, Teague's grocery store, Bryant's drug store, Shelder-Brookshire Pharmacy, and Howard's Studio.

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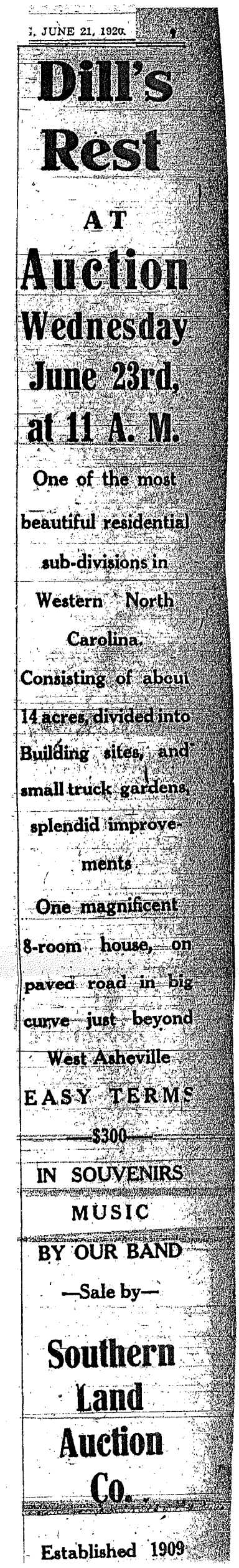
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LEICESTER TO CONSIDER PLAN

West Asheville Curb Market System Is Yet Pending

With action in the proposed curb market system for West Asheville dependent more or less on outlying rural communities, the market is expected to be one of the most important subjects for discussion at the regular meeting of the Leicester Community Life Club to be held at Leicester high school next Wednesday evening, it was announced yesterday.

The arrangements for the system have been placed in charge of selected committeemen, and the market has been discussed from various angles at meetings of the West Asheville Club and the Leicester organization. At the last meeting of the Leicester Club President L. E. Allman suggested that members and other interested citizens consider the proposition until anothr meeting at which time action in some form would be taken.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 1929

LOCAL GIRL IS HIGHLY HONORED

Excellent Record Made At Mars Hill By Madeline May

Miss Madeline May of 197 Brucemont Circle has returned to her home in West Asheville after graduating from Mars Hill College where she made an enviable record in scholastic and literary circles during her school years. Miss May was signally honored by her class mates by being elected the president of the senior class.

The Asheville girl has captured numerous honors in several intercollegiate debates and maintained an "A" grade in all her studies while at the Baptist institution. She plans to enter Meredith College at Raleigh where she will be an applicant for a B. A. degree. She studied associate arts while at the Madison county school.

In addition to being the president of the 1929 senior class Miss May also earned the following honors:

Intercollegiate debater, 1927, 1928 1929; vice president and secretary of non pareil literary society; secretary, Scriblerls Club, 1928-29; secretary of her freshman class; anniversary Marshall, 1929; commencement Marshall 1927; associate editor college annual, 1928; associate editor college newspaper, 1927; officer in Sunday school association, 1928-29; officer in B. Y. P. U. society, 1927-28-29; officer in Buncombe county club, member Y. W. A. council; and officer in International Relations Club.

Earns Honors

Miss Madeline May, of 197 Brucemont Circle, West Asheville, who captured many honors at Mars Hill College during her course there. Her scholastic years were crowned by her election as president of the senior class.

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Auxiliary Of Fire Department To Meet

The Women's Auxiliary of the West Asheville fire department will meet at the home of Mrs. Hubert Hayes, Hudson street, West Asheville, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. T. W. Haynes is president of the auxiliary.

Asheville Citizen June 2, 1929

BEAUTY CONTEST TO END JUNE 13

West Asheville Girls To Participate In The Festival Parade

The Rhododendron Festival beauty contest which is being sponsored jointly by the West Asheville Community Club and the West Asheville Club, will close Thursday night, June 13, at 9 o'clock, members of the committee in charge of the event, stated yesterday.

The contest is being conducted on a popular vote plan, and will determine which three of a selected group of West Asheville girls, are to ride on the float to be entered in the Rhododendron festival parade by the two organizations. Boxes have been placed in all West Asheville drug stores and are supplied with envelops and a list of the contestants. The plan is to insert one cent for each vote cast in the envelope, seal it and write the name of the girl voted for on the outside.

Mrs. J. S. Handte is chairman of the Community Club committee, and C. F. Byerly heads the West Asheville Club group. The votes to date will be checked and counted today, and announcements made of the standing of all contestants.

The contest will be closed June 13 so as to allow the selected girls time to prepare for the event, and to enable the two clubs to arrange the float without being rushed, it has announced.

Asheville Citizen June 4, 1929

Players Lease West Asheville Theater

The Blue Ridge Players, of Asheville, have announced the leasing of the West Asheville Theater building on Haywood road, where they will stage various productions. J. R. Herron, president of the company, has stated that feature length productions will be shown until September at which time feature length plays, differing from the present run, will be placed on the program for regular presentation on every Friday evening throughout the winter months.

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WEST ASHEVILLE MAN'S SON TO GO ON LONG CRUISE

Horace P. Parker, Jr., son of Dr. H. P. Parker, of 95 Vermont avenue, West Asheville, will sail from San Francisco, California, within a few days for a lengthy cruise of two and one-half years, according to news reaching friends here. Mr. Parker, who has just completed his work at the U. S. Submarine Training school at New London, Conn., has served four years in the U. S. Navy.

He was married to Miss Elinor Roberts, of Ilion, N. Y., at Vallejo, Calif., May 19, Caplain Day of the U. S. S. Chaumont, performing the ceremony in the Methodist church.

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CIVIC CLUB HAS FINAL MEETING

Mrs. Ebbs Honors West Asheville Women At Home Yesterday

The last meeting of the West Asheville Community Club for the 1928-29 fiscal year was held at the home of Mrs. C. J. Ebbs, 62 Westwood place, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the president, Mrs. C. Whit Gaskins, presiding.

Associate hostesses with Mrs. Ebbs were Mrs. C. A. Hawkins, Mrs. M L. Maney, and Miss Sarah Jones, and in addition to the routine business session a musical program was given.

Mrs. R. W. Farr sang a group of solos with piano acompaniment by Raymond H. Officer, and Miss Maybelle Candler and Miss Nelly Gray gave several readings. Miss Gray is attending college and is well known to members of the club, who have shown much interest in her. She is an accomplished violinist, and is deeply interested in all forms of music.

Miss McKenzie, prominent Knoxville welfare worker, was present, and gave an interesting talk, which was one of the most enjoyable and helpful features of the program.

The business program consisted chiefly of discussions of plans for participation of the organization in the Rhododendron festival, work for the ensuing fiscal year, and publication of the next edition of the year book. The meeting was largely attended, and was one of the most interesting held in some time, it was said.

This ended all meetings of the club and departments until the new fiscal year begins early this autumn. Final meetings of the music and literary departments were held in May.

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WEST ASHEVILLE JUNIORS TO FORM ORCHESTRA SOON

The West Asheville Junior orchestra will be organized and instructive classes formed at a meeting and rehearsal to be held at the Wilder Music Studio on Haywood road, Tuesday afternoon, June 11, at 3:30 o'clock, it was announced yesterday. Classes and the benefits of the orchestra will be open to all boys and girls, who are playing an orchestra instrument, and beginners are eligible to special instructive classes which will prepare them for active participation.

Rehearsals and classes will be held twice each week on Tuesday and Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. All members must have their own instruments. Instruction will include musical ear training, sight reading and musical theory. Friday afternoons will be given entirely to orchestra practice and the preparation of programs for concerts to be given during the summer months.

With the benefits of the Blanchard Junior Music Club and training in school orchestras available, the new organization will provide West Asheville's young musicians with an enlarged opportunity to train themselves in instrumental and other forms of music.

Asheville Citizen June 7, 1929

CONTEST VOTES BEING CHECKED

West Asheville Civic Event To Close Next Thursday

Checking of all votes cast prior to yesterday in the Rhododendron festival float contest which is being conducted jointly by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club, is now underway, committee officials of the two clubs stated yesterday. The contest will close Thursday June 13, and the votes will be checked at intervals until that time when the final standing of all contestants will be announced.

The purpose of the contest is to elect from a group of twenty West Asheville girls three who are to ride on the float to be entered in the Rhododendron festival parade by the two clubs. Mrs. J. S. Handle is chairman of the Community Club committee, and C. F. Byerly heads the committee of the West Asheville Club.

Boxes have been placed in all the West Asheville drug stores for votes, each box being supplied with envelopes and a list of the contestants. The plan is to place one cent for each vote cast in the envelope, seal it, and write the name of the girl voted for on the outside. All contestants were selected by the club committees, and include only high school and college girls of West Asheville.

The girls will be the guests of the Community Club at a party to be given at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Anderson, 1155 Haywood road, some time before the contest closes. It has been announced. The club will announce the date later.

Asheville Citizen June 7, 1929

Inanda Baptists Join In Benefit Lawn Party

A benefit lawn party sponsored by the congregation of the Inanda Baptist church, Brevard road, West Asheville, was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bates on Brevard road last evening. The proceeds were given to a fund which will be used to paint the church. Other improvements for the building are also planned by the congregation. The party was largely attended.

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CONTEST VOTES ARE TABULATED

Miss Margaret Byerly Holds First Place In Competition

A tabulation of all votes cast previously to Thursday in the Rhododendron festival float contest which is being conducted in West Asheville by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club, places Miss Margaret Byerly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Byerly in the lead, it was announced last night. The total number of votes cast and the number received to date by each of the 20 contestants was not announced.

Other leading contestants as shown by the check up are as follows: Miss Claire DeLoach, second place; Miss Marion Kahn, third place; Miss Mary Westall, fourth place, and Miss Evelyn Pumford, fifth place.

The contest will close next Thursday night at 9 o'clock when a final tabulation of votes will be made, and the names of the three leading contestants announced. The purpose of the competition is to select from a group of twenty West Asheville high school and college girls three who are to ride on the float to be entered in the festival parade by the civic organizations.

Ballot boxes have been placed in all the West Asheville drug stores, and hundreds of votes have been cast.

The twenty girls will be the guests of the Community Club at a party to be given sometime before the contest closes, it has been announced.

Asheville Citizen June 8, 1929

Hall Fletcher Pupils Receive Prize Awards

Winners of three cash prizes awarded by the Hall Fletcher Parent-Teacher association in connection with a manual training exhibition, held at the school Thursday, were announced yesterday. The prizes were awarded during the morning chapel program by Mrs. W. A. Bell, president of the association, as follows: Lawrence Plemmons, first prize, $1.25; James Williams, second prize, 75 cents, and Franklin Fishburn, third prize, 50 cents.

Judges were Mrs. C. A. Hawkins, Mrs. J. M. Baley, and Mr. Simpson, the latter being a member of the faculty.

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FINALS HELD AT ST. JOAN OF ARC

Father Lawrence Makes Graduation Talk At The School

Father Lawrence of Belmont Abbey, Belmont, N. C., delivered the annual commencement address at the graduation exercises at St. Joan of Arc school, West Asheville yesterday afternoon. His subject was "Christian Education."

The salutatory was delivered by J. Randolph. Music was provided by the school chorus.

The program included a "French Lesson" and a play entitled "St. Joan of Arc's Mission." Those who took parts in the French lesson were L. Jones, G. Schaufhausen, G. Fears, J. Leblanc, and M. Mulvaney.

The cast for the play included C. Wamsley, K. Zimmerman, E. Harte, M. Arthur, L. Harte, and a group playing as village maidens and gypsies.

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The West Asheville Post Office Equipment Is Ordered

Installation of equipment for the new West Asheville post office is scheduled to begin about June 15, according to an announcement by officials of the firm of J. T. Bledsoe and Company, of Asheville, constructors of the building. The fixtures which cost $5,300, were ordered June 7 by the constructors and will be installed by them.

Completion of the building which cost approximately $15,300 including equipment, was scheduled for June 15. However, the work was rushed, and completed several days prior to that date. Formal opening will be held Sunday, June 30, and the post office will begin doing business on the following morning, Monday, July 1. The post office department has leased the building for a period of ten years.

All equipment will be modern in every detail of design and construction, and will include special lock combination mail boxes for patrons, it has been announced.

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TWO FINE STUDENTS

Elizabeth and J. D. Howell, Jr., children of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Howell of West Asheville, have made a splendid school record. Neither has been absent or tardy since beginning studies at the kindergarten. Elizabeth has just completed the fifth grade at Vance School and is just as attentive at Bon Grove Methodist Sunday school. She is also a talented pianist and has played for WNC, The Citizen's radio station. Her music teacher is Mrs. Thomas Allen Curry. J. D. has just finished Grade 4-A at Vance School and made an excellent record. He is a great admirer of Tom Mix and when he isn't studying he is practicing with his bean-shooter.

—Staff Photo by Michael.

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WINNERS IN BABY SHOW ANNOUNCED

Edward Exner Denison Takes First Place In Competition

Prize winners in the West Asheville Better Babies Show which was held at the West Asheville Methodist church Friday afternoon, May 31, were announced yesterday, following checking of all data and papers by Dr. J. La Bruce Ward, Asheville physician.

Five prize winners were selected from approximately 40 tiny folks who entered the competition, and awards will be made as follows:

First prize, Edward Exner Denison, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Denison, of 52 Clinton street, first prize of $5.00 given by the Belle Bennett Missionary Society of the church; second prize, Imogene Holcombe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Holcombe, of Johnson Boulevard, $2.50 given by the Bank of West Asheville; third prize, Robert Starnes Ehle, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ehle, 19 Yanvale avenue, $1.00; Marilyn Jenkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan H. Jenkins, 415 Riverview Drive, $1.00; and Mary Lou Elmore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Elmore, of 64 Virginia avenue, $1.00. The last three prizes were awarded by Circle 3 of the Belle Bennett Society, who sponsored the event.

In addition to first prize, young Mr. Denison will be awarded three personal photographs by Howard's Studio, of Asheville. The studio will also award one photograph each to the other prize winning youngsters.

Mrs .Frank Ewers was nurse in charge of the contest, and her competent services were invaluable in obtaining and checking data on the babies. The show was held in connection with a Health Crusade, and entrants were judged on physical merits and health qualities alone.

Firms assisting in the event were Wachtel's, Asheville, the Bank of West Asheville, Roberts Grocery Store Shieder-Brookshire Pharmacy, Howard's Studio, Teague's grocery store, Barker's department store, West Asheville Pharmacy, and Bryan's Pharmacy.

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FOUR HUNTERS GET 122 FROG LEGS ON NIGHT EXPEDITION

On a Thursday night expedition along the shores of Lake Summit last week, a West Asheville frog hunter, assisted by three Asheville hunters, slew a total of 61 bull frogs, securing for future feasting 122 frog legs. Old timers say that bull frogs like all other frogs from the horned toad on down have a quartet of pedal extremities, but only the rear ones are good for consumption.

The hunters were R. T. Smathers, of the Smathers Coal company, West Asheville; E. B. Birmingham, assistant yardmaster of the Southern Railway; W. F. Caldwell and D. F. Misenheimer, of Asheville. The men used a boat, searchlight and spear on their trip and since it was an ideal night for frog hunting, only a few hours were consumed in securing the huge collection of legs.

Frog legs when properly prepared are very toothsome and delicious, many old timers and out of doors men say.

Asheville Citizen June 9, 1929

MANY STUDENTS HAVE RETURNED

West Asheville Girls And Boys To Spend Vacations Here

Following the completion of the annual commencement exercises at the various schools, universities and colleges, many West Asheville boys and girls are returning home for the summer vacation period.

Those returning recently include Miss Merle Higgins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Higgins, 43 Michigan avenue, Duke University; James Baley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baley, 83 Beverly road, Mars Hill College; Miss Margaret Byerly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Byerly, 34 Pinallas street, North Carolina College for Women; William Logan, son of Mrs. W. E. Logan, 124 Logan avenue, Mars Hill College; Fred Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Brown, 100 Brevard road, University of Tennessee; George F. Baier, III, son of Dr. and Mrs. George F. Baier, Jr., 814 Haywood road, University of Alabama; William Osborne, son of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Osborne, 283 Woodland road, Oak Ridge Military Institute, Oak Ridge, N. C.; Miss Daisy Farr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Farr, 77 Vermont avenue, N. C. C. W.; Arthur Kiser, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Kiser, 135 Westwood place, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Miss Margaret Spivey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Spivey, 164 Brucemont Circle, Illinois State Normal, Bloomington, Ill., and several others.

Mr. Brown, whose father is secretary of the West Asheville Merchants association, left recently for Knoxville, where he will be connected with a large mercantile concern this summer. Mr. Baier, III, has returned to the University of Alabama where he will take a summer medical course, returning six weeks later.

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CONTEST TO END THURSDAY NIGHT

West Asheville Clubs Sponsor Event For Festival Float

The Rhododendron festival float contest which is being sponsored by the West Asheville Club and the West Asheville Community Club will close next Thursday night at 9 o'clock, committee chairmen of the two organizations stated yesterday. No votes cast after that hour will be counted, and the polling boxes will be closed. Afterwards as soon as possible the votes will be tabulated and the winning contestants announced.

The purpose of the contest is to select three girls from a chosen group of 20 West Asheville high school and college girls, who will ride on the float to be entered by the two organizations in the Rhododendron festival parade.

The type of float to be entered has Miss Margaret Byerly first place, with Misses Claire De Loach, Marion Kahn, Mary Westall and Evelyn Pumford holding second, third, fourth and fifth places respectively.

The ype of float to be entered has not been divulged. However, it will be entered under the title "The Spirit of West Asheville," it has been announced.

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 1929

POOL ROOM LAW DRAWS PROTEST

Prominent Citizens Of West Asheville Ask Official's Aid

Vigorously denouncing the establishment of a pool room district in the West Asheville section and pleading with the city commissioners to rescind their recent action in allowing the extension of the pool rooms to their community, a large delegation of prominent West Asheville citizens yesterday appeared before the city commissioners protesting against the enactment of city ordinance Number 110 which would allow the operation of pool rooms on Haywood Road.

Several ministers were included in the West Asheville representative group. The city recently proposed the establishment of a third pool room district in that section between Michigan Avenue and Oakwood Road. The ordinance provided that the building which housed the pool-room must abut on Haywood Road

The commissioners promised the West Asheville residents that their request would be taken under consideration before the passage of the ordinance.

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New Concern Opens On Haywood Road

The Blue Bird Ice Cream Company operating out of Spartanburg, S. C., has opened an ice cream store on Haywood road, West Asheville, near the end of the carline. The local branch is equipped with modern and sanitary conveniences, including Frigidaire plant, and carries a complete line of fresh ice cream in various combinations and packages and bulk.

This is the seventh new concern to locate on Haywood road within the past few months.

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WEST ASHEVILLE A & P ENLARGED

Store Located In New Robeson Structure On Haywood Road

One of the West Asheville stores of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company which was formerly located at 618 Haywood road, is now located in the New Robeson building, diagonally, across Haywood road from the old location, it was announced yesterday. The store is one of five which are operated in West Asheville, and opened for business at the new location yesterday morning.

The store, including all equipment and the entire stock was moved in the record time of less than three hours Monday night, after the day's business had been conducted in the usual manner, and the work included the arrangement of stock displays in the new store.

In the present location the store has been greatly enlarged, and has a more ideal location. The front with modern glass show windows, affords spacious and convenient display space, while the increased floor space provides for more counters and less crowding of stock. No change in personnel is contemplated for the store, at present, the superintendent of the Asheville district stated yesterday.

The Robeson building is located at the intersection of Dorchester avenue and Haywood road, and was recently completed at an approximate cost of $5,000. Mrs. Martha E. Robeson is owner.

The first A. and P. store was established in West Asheville six years ago the past March. There are now 21 stores in the city, including those in West Asheville.

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To Open Three West Asheville Bureaus

Plans for opening three information bureaus on Haywood Road are practically completed, and the offices will be opened some time this week, it was announced yesterday. The system is being sponsored by the West Asheville club.

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CITIZEN STATION TO FEATURE WEST ASHEVILLE GROUP

The semi-monthly "half-hour" musical broadcast program of the Blanchard Junior Music club of West Asheville, will be given from the auditorium studio at Station WWNC this afternoon from 5 until 5:30 o'clock.

The programs of the West Asheville group have been a regular feature of the "Voice of The Citizen" station for several months, and have been widely commended. Programs are varied and consist of mixed vocal and instrumental numbers. Mrs. A. X. Blanchard is the organizer and one of the chief sponsors of the club.

Asheville Citizen June 14, 1929

POOL ROOMS ARE ORDERED CLOSED

City Notice Complied With By Owners In West Asheville

In compliance with an order issued by the city commissioners to that effect, all operators of pool rooms and billiard parlors in West Asheville have closed their establishments, pending a lawful permit to reopen them, it was announced yesterday.

The recently proposed establishment of a third pool room district in the section of Haywood road between Michigan Avenue and Oakwood Road which was provided for in city ordinance No. 110, has met with virorous and organized opposition almost in every section of West Asheville, it was said, and recently a delegation of close to 100 prominent citizens appeared before the commissioners and expressed a very unfavorable attitude toward any movement which would allow pool rooms to be operated in that section. Several ministers were included in the delegation, and the commissioners promised the opposition that their request would be given serious consideration before the passage of the proposed ordinance.

Several pool rooms had opened in West Asheville without a law l right C. H. Bartlett commissioner of public safety stated yesterday and since such operation was in violation of the city law, all were ordered closed, the owners complying with the order without any unpleasantness, it was said. Mr. Bartlett stated yesterday that he was unaware that pool rooms were in operation in the section in question until Monday, and that when the commissioners learned of this, the order to close was issued.

The opposition to the proposed establishment of the third zone is so strong that it is considered probable that the ordinance will meet with unfavorable consideration when it comes before the commissioners for action.

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West Asheville Club To Aid In Pool Zone Fight

Interesting Program Features Meeting Of Civic Club

In regular session at Hall Fletcher junior high school last night, the West Asheville Club went on official record as being strongly opposed to the operation of pool rooms in any section of West Asheville.

The adopted motion which received strong verbal support from several members prior to and followed the rising vote, also carried with it equally strong opposition against the enactment by the city commissioners of any ordinance which would legalize the operation of such establishments, and an adopted supplementary motion introduced by Hugh Sowers provided for the appointment of a committee composed of members of the club, for the purpose of discussing the matter with the city commissioners. However, after President H. B. Posey had stated that it would be best tofirst ascertain the sentiment of the city governing body before taking such action, the appointment of the committee was postponed.

The matter which was brought before the meeting early, was the subject of several interesting discussions, the majority of which were in favor of the attitude taken officially by the club.

In compliance with an order issued by the commissioners, all pool rooms on Haywood road have been closed by operators, C. H. Bartlett, commissioner of public safety stated yesterday. Several members of the club were said to have been members of a delegation composed of ministers and other prominent citizens who discussed the situation with the commissioners recently.

McClellan Speaks

The principal speaker of the evening was the Rev. Clarence Stuart McClellan, Jr. rector of Calvary Episcopal church, Fletcher. The rector who is widely known for his series of travel and inspirational talks which are broadcasted from Station WWNC, of the Asheville Citizen, spoke on "My Impressions of Palestine."

His impression taken from an extended tour of the ancient Mediterranean coast country which is now a colonial possession of the British government, were summed up briefly as follows:

"Palestine is a very small country, so small that all of it could be placed in Western North Carolina, between Asheville and Murphy railroad stations. Jerusalem is only one-half as large as Central Park in New York city, and in a single afternoon, practically everything of interest in the ancient city can be seen."

"In variety of climatic conditions it includes the torrid, frigid and temperate zones, and the ancient city of Jericho is the lowest and hottest point in the world, while towering 9,000 feet above, yet only a few miles away is Mt. Hermon which is covered with snow throughout the year."

The speaker also stated that other impressions he gained from his trip were that Palestine is a country of color, natural and nationally, a place where the ancient and the modern literally speaking, "rub shoulders," and "a d where the Bible lives in all its reality."

He also gave a description of the gradual advent into the country of American and European influences, and compared the introduction of modern method of conducting business and agriculture with the ancient methods practiced by the Israelites and others during the early period covered by Bible history.

Curb Market

The proposed curb market system also was taken up, and a motion that Miss Adna Edwards, home demonstration agent of Buncombe county, be invited to discuss the matter at the next meeting of the club was adopted. It was pointed out that Miss Edwards has expressed deep interest in the West Asheville market and has offered to lend any assistance possible.

The meeting began at 7 o'clock with luncheon which was served by members of Asheville Chapter 191, Order of the Eastern Star. H. Grady Reagan city tax collector and with his brother Ernest Reagan, entertained with a group of songs and string instrument selections.

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DR. GARDNER TO SERVE SENTENCE

Despite Petitions In Favor Of Defendant Judgment Stands

Advising Mayor Gallatin Roberts and Thomas S. Rollins that he used only one yard stick to mete out punishment to defendants facing him, Judge E. Yates Webb, in U. S. District court here yesterday ordered the marshall to take Dr. G. D. Gardner into custody to begin a year and a day sentence in Atlanta for violation of the narcotic laws. Mayor Roberts and Mr. Rollins presented a lengthy petition to the judge urging that the physician's sentence be suspended

The petition was signed by practically the entire membership of the Buncombe County Medical Association, the bar association and scores of prominent local citizens Dr. Gardner will leave here the latter part of this week for Atlanta in company with several other prisoners sentenced at this session of court.

J. P. Spann, patient at the Oteen hospital, was the heaviest sufferer at the hands of the court yesterday when he was sentenced to two years in Atlanta after being convicted on charges of selling liquor within the hospital wards at Oteen. Spann is alleged to be suffering from tuberculosis.

Ted Emerson and Grady Rhodes received slight reductions in their sentences. Emerson was formerly sentenced to serve one year and a day and had this reduced to seven months. Rhodes received a one day reduction. This was made to prevent him from being sent to Atlanta.

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FIRST Y PROGRAM BEGINS TONIGHT

West Asheville Youths To Receive Swimming Pool Passes

The first program of the West Asheville branch organization of the Asheville Y. M. C. A. will begin tonight at a special meeting to be held at Calvary Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock with Director Guy Harwood in charge. The branch is known as the West Asheville Boy's Christian Citizenship Club and is being sponsored by Secretary Seth Perkinson and other local "Y" workers, with Mr. Harwood, who is 17 years of age, in direct charge.

Free passes to the Asheville "Y" swimming pool will be awarded all new members of the club tonight, and plans for the summer include a continual program of varied activities suited to the needs of the members whose ages range from 12 to 16 years of age.

The Rev. J. B. Grice, pastor of Calvary church, and other West Asheville citizens are assisting in the organization which was formed two weeks ago.

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RAILWAY GROUP PLANS MEETING

Employes To Gather In West Asheville At 8 O'Clock Tonight

The monthly meeting of the Asheville group, Benefit Association of Railway Employes, will be held at the Odd Fellows Hall on Hanover street, West Asheville, tonight at 8 o'clock, it was announced yesterday.

All members are urged by the officers to attend with their wives and lady friends, since a varied program for all has been arranged, including several prize contests for women.

Several prominent railway officials are expected to attend, and plans for the annual picnic to be held at the Recreation Park July 4, will be discussed.

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C., FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 1929.

West Asheville Bridge And Market Discussed

Charles Neal And Miss Adna Edwards Speak At Civic Meeting

An address by Charles H. Neal, Asheville civil engineer, on a proposed new steel high bridge connecting Asheville and West Asheville to be financed by a joint issue of city and county bonds aggregating one and a half million dollars, and an explanation of the establishment and operation of a curb market system for West Asheville by Miss Adna Edwards, Buncombe county home demonstration agent, featured an interesting meeting of the West Asheville Club held at Hall Fletcher high school last night.

A. L. Duckett, vice president of the club, and chief of the Asheville fire department, presided in the absence of President H. B. Posey, and Miss Edwards was the first speaker.

The home demonstration agent who has been directly connected with several open air markets in various sections of the state, and who recently organized a system in Asheville, discussed the West Asheville plan in detail, and gave suggestions for organization and profitable operation. A stable price for all who sell at the market so as to avoid unfair competition, location, the organizing of a group of regular producers in adjoining rural sections, and the adoption of a satisfactory cash and carry plan, were outlined by Miss Edwards as being essential. She also suggested various plans for covering expenses which included a table and scale charge system, and a commission plan, the market committee deducting a stated amount from all sales to be applied to the operation expenses.

Popularity

The country wide popularity of such markets was mentioned by the agent with special reference to those in operation in Baltimore, Washington, Knoxville, Spartanburg, Goldsboro, Salisbury and Hendersonville. All of approximately 70 agents in North Carolina are supporting outdoor markets, Miss Edwards stated, all of which are being profitably operated.

The Mecklenburg county market which did a cash business of $200,000 in 1928, operating six days per week, was opened with a series of Saturday afternoon cake sales held at the county courthouse, and has since grown to the extent that a large market house with outside stalls is required to house the business, she stated. This market averaged $600 in receipts each day last year, during which time one lady sold $800 worth of cakes baked at home.

West Asheville Theater Leased By Ritz Players

The West Asheville theater on Haywood road has been leased by the Ritz Players of Asheville, it was announced yesterday, and will be opened for regular showings soon. The Ritz Players organization was formerly the Blue Ridge Players company.

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Y BRANCH GROUP NAMES OFFICERS

West Asheville Boys To Launch Summer Program Monday

Officers of the West Asheville Boys' Christian Citizenship Club, a branch organization of the Asheville Y. M. C. A., were announced yesterday as follows; Guy Harwood, director, and assistant leader of the Clean Life Club under Seth J. Perkinson, first marshal. Thomas Butts, secretary. Harry Wilson treasurer J. M. Whitaker, Jr.; reporter, Jack Baumberger; lieutenants: Clean Speech Regiment, Claude Dills. Clean Living, Billy Hamrick Clean Sport Regiment, Billy James, and Clean Habit Regiment, Lyle Swett.

Morris Rich has been named director of the club band which will furnish music for meetings, and all officers are to serve for the ensuing fiscal year.

The summer program of the branch club will begin Monday night with a meeting at Calvary Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock, and a second meeting will be held Thursday night at the same time and place, Director Harwood stated yesterday. Free passes to the Asheville "Y" swimming pool will be awarded to new members Monday night and no dues will be charged for membership. Boys from 12 to 16 years of age who live in West Asheville are eligible to enrollment, and the Bible has been adopted as official handbook.

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THE SUNDAY CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C.

LADY DOCTOR TO BEGIN 15TH. YEAR OF PRACTICE SOON

Dr. Jennie L. Spalding, West Asheville's only lady physician will begin her 15th year of practice in the city early this autumn. An osteopathic physician by profession, Dr. Spalding came to Asheville in 1915 shortly after completing a course of study at the Kirksville school of Osteopaths, Kirksville, Mo. She passed the Missouri and North Carolina state board examinations in June, 1915, and for several years after coming here was associated with Dr. Rockwell, the mother of the late Kiffin Rockwell, who was killed in action during the World War, while a member of the Lafayette Flying organization.

Later she opened offices at 339-A Haywood road. She also is one of the few lady osteopathics in the city, and attended the recent meeting of the North Carolina Osteopathic association held in Charlotte.

The 1930 meeting of the organization will be held in Asheville at the invitation of local members, including Dr. Spalding.

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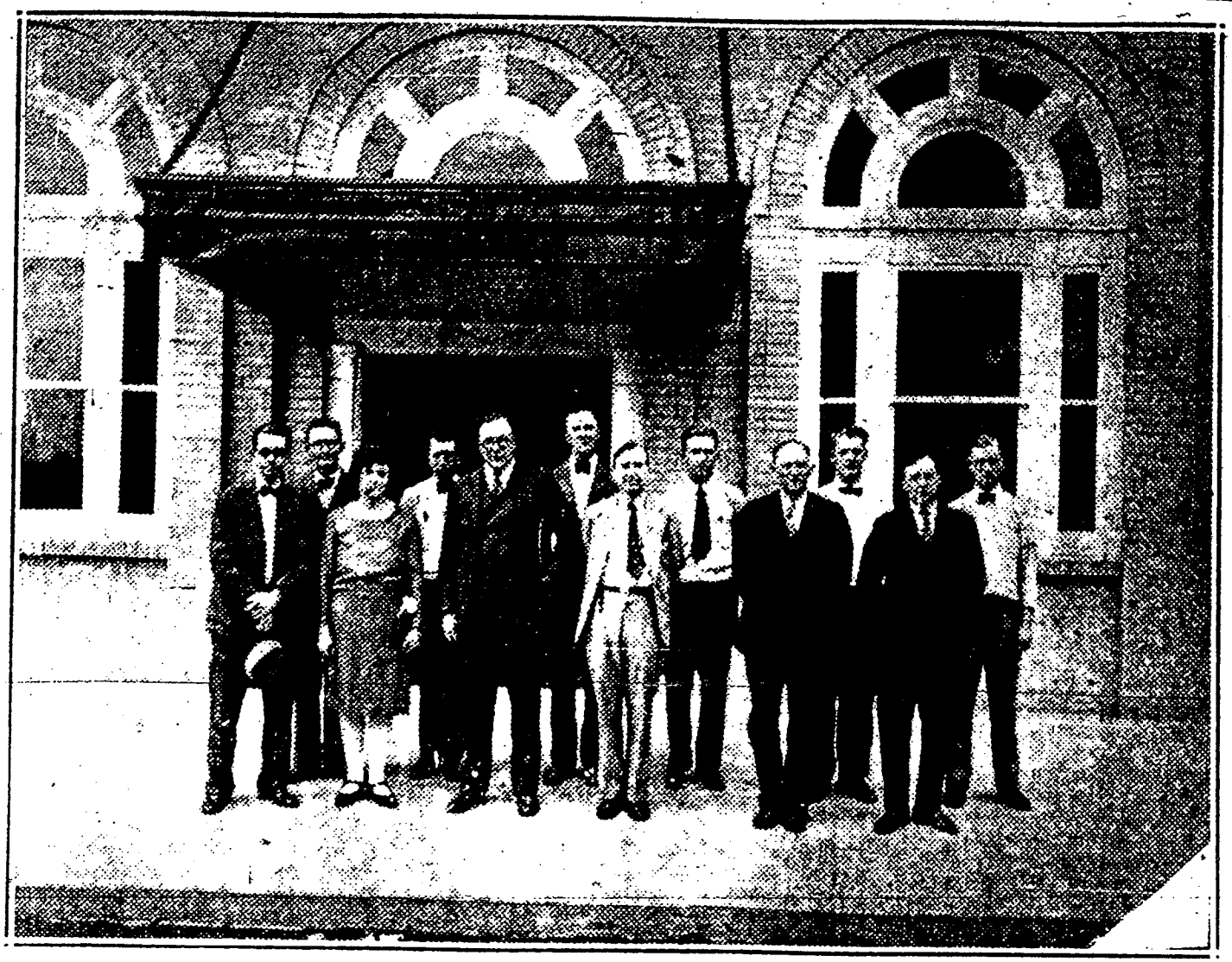
Personnel Of West Asheville Office



Above are the supervisors and employes of the new West Asheville branch station of the Asheville post office which will be formally opened in its new home on Haywood road today. Front row—left to right: E. L. Bishop superintendent of mails, Asheville office; Mrs Lela Haynie, clerk; Postmaster Dan W. Hill, of the Asheville office; Superintendent I. W. Bootton, of the West Asheville office, J. W. Ingram, foreman of carriers; and H. L Owen, clerk. Back row—C. B Hayes, J. Robison, Roy T. Brown, M. H. Baker, D F. Smith, and E. L. Parham, members of the West Asheville carrier force.

Formal Opening Of West Asheville Station Today

West Asheville Post Office, 795 Haywood Road, 1929.

NEW BUILDING TO BE FINISHED SOON

Bledsoe Adds Several Structures To West Asheville

The new brick and steel business building which is being erected on Haywood road adjoining the new Asheville postoffice building will be completed between July 15 and August 1, J. T. Bledsoe, of J. T. Bledsoe and Company, constructors stated yesterday.

The building will consist of two stories and basement with the top floor constructed for use as a community hall for public meetings and other events, while the other space will be allocated to locations for offices and business concerns. The structure will cost close to $25,000, and will bring the Bledsoe holdings in West Asheville up to several hundred thousand dollars, officials of the company have stated.

The first building erected in West Asheville by the concern was the new Bledsoe building located beyond the end of the car line which cost approximately $125,000, and was started in 1917. Later a theater building, service station and garage were added at a cost of approximately $25,000, and the Mildred Apartments at Haywood road and Mildred Avenue, which were opened April 1. The apartment building cost approximately $60,000, while several brick veneer homes have been built at an average cost of $5500 each. The new postoffice building cost close to $20,000, and is one of the most beautiful public structures in Asheville.

In addition to the official personnel of the Bledsoe concern, several men have been closely identified with the organization for several years, including W. C. Wilson, supervisor, and K. S. Bryson, assistant supervisor of carpenter work, L. T. Freeman, Ben Whitesides, David Stroupe; A. W. Kerr, supervisor of brick work, who has been with the firm for 17 years George Greene, James Parke, R. Nix, and others.

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STREET CAR SCHEDULE

MONTFORD AVENUE LINE

Leave Pack Square for Riverside, 6:00, 6:07, 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00, a. m. and every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:00 o. m. last car.

Leaves Riverside Park: 6:15, 6:22 6:30 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m. and then every 7½ minutes until 10:15 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m., last car

Leaves Pack Square for Depot: 6:30, 6:45, 6:00 a. m. and then every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m., then every fifteen minutes until 11:00 p. m.; last car

Leaves Depot: 6:45, 6:00, 6:15, 6:22, a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:15 p. m.; then every 15 minutes until 11:15 p. m. last car.

CHARLOTTE AND WEST ASHEVILLE LINE

Leaves Pack Square for Grove Park: 6:00, 6:07, 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:07 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:07; then 11:37 p. m., last car.

Leaves Grove Park: 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:07 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:22; then 11:52 p. m., last car

Leave Broadway for West Asheville, 6:37, 6:45 6:52, 6:00, 6:07, 6:15 6:22, 6:30 a. m. and every 7½ minutes until 9:52 p. m then every fifteen minutes until 11:07 p. m last car.

Leaves West Asheville: 6:00 6:07 6:15, 6:22 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m and then every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:30 p. m., last car

BILTMORE AND GRACE LINE

Leave Pack Square for Grace: 6:00, 6:07 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52 7:00 a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:00 p. m., last car

Leave Grace: 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45 6:52, 7:00 a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:15 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m., last car

Leaves Pack Square for Biltmore 6:00, 6:07, 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37, 6:45, 6:52, 7:00 a. m., and every 7½ minutes until 10:00 p. m.; then every fifteen minutes until 11:00 p. m. last car

Leaves Biltmore: 6:15, 6:22, 6:30, 6:37 6:45, 6:52, 7:00, a. m and every 7½ minutes until 10:15 p. m., then every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m., last car

PATTON AVENUE AND EAST STREET LINE

Leave Pack Square for East St 6:07 6:22, 6:37, 6:52, 7:00, a. m and every fifteen minutes until 11:07 p. m last car

Leave East St. Terminus, 6:15, 6:30, 6:45 7:00, 7:15, a. m and every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m., last car

Leave Broadway for Patton Ave., 6:07 6:22, 6:37, 6:52, 7:07 a. m., and every fifteen minutes until 11:07 p. m.; last car

Leave Patton Ave. Terminus 6:15, 6:30 6:45, 7:00, 7:15 a. m and every fifteen minutes until 11:15 p. m last car

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